

2016 ELYSIAN CHARDONNAY

ARROYO SECO VALLEY, MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA



THE WINE:

100% Chardonnay from a single vineyard in the Arroyo Seco AVA of Monterey county, CA. The Arroyo Seco AVA encompasses about 18,000 acres of vineyards near the Arroyo Seco Creek. The area is famous for their Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. This vineyard's proximity to the Pacific Ocean creates a cool climate best suited for those grape varieties that benefit from cool afternoon breezes, such as Chardonnay. Barrel fermented and then aged for 12 months in 20 percent new French oak. The wine went through full malolactic fermentation. Winemaker Sal Galvan made only 5 barrels of this wine, just under 125 cases.

TASTING NOTES:

Color: golden hued with great shimmering clarity

Aromas: creamy pear and citrus fruit with subtle pineapple; hints of vanilla and whispers of smokey toasted notes

Flavor & Texture: yellow pear and vanilla mingle with tropical fruits on the rich and full palate; low acid and mouth coating textures

Food Pairing: soft enough to have on its own yet it pairs beautifully with Fettuccine pasta with scallops, garlic, lemon, cream and fresh parsley

-DRINK NOW THROUGH 2020-