



LA FOLLETTE WINES

AN ONGOING DIALOGUE
WITH SINGULAR VINEYARDS

2016

CHARDONNAY

Sun Chase Vineyard

Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

THE VINEYARD

One of the most sought-after sites in all of Sonoma County, Sun Chase Vineyard is planted on a west-facing slope in the Petaluma Gap overlooking a broad sweep of the county from the San Pablo Bay to North Santa Rosa. Our Chardonnay block sits on a sun-drenched, rocky incline where fruit yields are naturally limited. Balanced vines produce small clusters and beautifully aromatic Chardonnay.

THE VINTAGE

A naturally low yielding site, our site was impacted by the preceding vintage, the fourth consecutive year of drought. The 2016 crop was low; small berries in small clusters. No fruit thinning was necessary, as the terroir and the mild summer had already created the material for a powerful, yet balanced wine.

THE WINE

Aromas of Anjou pear and crushed rock, with a hint of wintergreen emerge from the glass. Notes of crisp citrus fruit and blossom introduce a pulse of acidity that persists through to the finish. Deceptively light-bodied on entry, the wine has a long, cooling finish of green apple.

WINEMAKING

Harvest Date: September 2nd, 2016

100% Chardonnay | Clone 4

Fermentation: fermented in barrel, native primary and secondary fermentations, 25% new oak, full malolactic conversion

Alc. 14.1%

