

MERIDIAN

VINEYARDS



CHARDONNAY

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Since its founding in 1988, Meridian Vineyards has become synonymous with the California lifestyle and great-tasting, award-winning wines. Meridian Vineyards produces wines that express distinct character. The Meridian Vineyards winemaker is responsible for every step of the winemaking process - from harvest to blending and bottling for our entire line of wines. These wines are made to be easy-drinking and fruit forward with bright acidity. Our wines are perfect for weeknight dinners and casual gatherings with friends.

WINEMAKING AND TASTING NOTES

More than 50 percent of the Meridian Chardonnay is grown in the coolest regions of Santa Barbara County where classic, sought-after characteristics of vibrant acidity and tropical fruit flavors are typical. The sandy soil keeps yields low and fruit intensity high. A portion of the wine comes from Monterey County, complementing the wine with wonderful tropical fruit flavors. Approximately half of the blend is fermented in stainless steel tanks to retain purity of fruit, while the balance ferments on seasoned French and American oak. This is a classic California Chardonnay with lush tropical fruit flavors enhanced with a wonderful creaminess and a crisp lasting finish.

Aromas of caramel and vanilla mingle pleasingly on the nose, with a hint of sweet oak. Tropical fruit flavors dominate on the palate – pineapple and green apple mingle seamlessly with hints of brown sugar and butterscotch. The influence of 100% malolactic fermentation lends a creamy, buttery component to the mouthfeel. This well-balanced California Chardonnay finishes with a nice acidity that is perfect on its own or paired with a variety of foods.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Appellation: California
Alcohol: 13.5%

