

# Laird Cold Creek Ranch Chardonnay

## THE FACTS

**COUNTRY:** USA - CA

**REGION:** Sonoma County

**APPELLATION:** Carneros - Sonoma

**CEPAGE:** 100% Chardonnay

**WINEMAKING:** Indigenous to the Burgundy region of France, Clones 15 and 95 at a 50:50 ratio exhibit an approachable style and luminous golden color. 48% malolactic fermentation and 10 months in French oak (30% new barrels)

**ALCOHOL BY VOLUME:** 14.5%

**AGING:** 10 months in French oak, 30% new barrels, 48% malolactic

**ANNUAL PRODUCTION:** 1600 cases

## THE STORY

The Laird family has been growing grapes in Napa Valley since 1970. Ken Laird is the largest landholder with property under vine in Napa Valley with roughly 2,500 acres planted. The Laird's are the high-end grape purveyors for the top labels in Napa Valley and bottle our best quality 3% of fruit under the Laird label. 97% of our grapes are sold to premiere Napa Valley labels. All family owned and operated, we focus on top notch vineyard management to provide the best quality grapes Napa Valley has to offer.

## THE ADJECTIVES

**OVERALL:** Flavors of golden delicious apple, sweet melon, lemon curd,

**AROMAS / FLAVORS:** Sweet peach, toasted hazelnut, quince jam, and vanilla

**MOUTHFEEL:** Full bodied with a round, creamy mouthfeel

## THE SELLING POINTS

Delicious chardonnay from our premiere Carneros vineyard

**AWARDS:** 90pts Wine Spectator

**SUSTAINABILITY:** Sustainable In Practice

**PAIRINGS:** Pair with freshly cracked crab dipped in lemon butter and a side of French bread.

