

Nicholson Jones

2014 Nicholson Jones Chardonnay “Dolly Vineyard”

Vintage:	2014
Varietal:	100% Chardonnay
Vineyard:	100% Truchard “Dolly” Vineyard Carneros, Napa Valley
Aging:	100% Stainless Steel Cold fermentation on the lees for 6 months
Bottled:	Mar-2015
Released:	Mar-2017
Alcohol %:	14.1%
Production:	220 cases



Tasting Notes

Bright, light yellow color. Exotic scents of yellow peach, pineapple, nutmeg, clove and flowers emerge quickly. Pure and vibrant, with yellow fruit flavors nicely framed by spicy oak and enlivened by a chalky minerality and a complex peppery accent. This beauty delivers stone and citrus fruit intensity, in a dry, classic package. Lovely Chardonnay with great richness and length.

Terroir

The Dolly Vineyard is located on a southwest facing hillside behind the Joann and Tony Truchard Family home in Carneros. This vineyard is several miles in from San Pablo Bay along very hilly terrain. It is a bit warmer here; a relative term considering Carneros is the coolest climate to grow fruit in Napa. These twenty plus year old vines are farmed by Tony Truchard and produce wonderfully full yet clean chardonnay favors. I very much enjoy going to see this vineyard; it is very old school and reminds me of what Napa was like many years ago. Truchard farming, the Carneros climate and the rocky hillside soils gives this vineyard true Terroir.

Julien Fayard, *Winemaker*

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