



## 2017 DOLLY CHARDONNAY

NAPA, CALIFORNIA

<b>VINTAGE:</b>	2017
<b>VARIETAL:</b>	100% Chardonnay
<b>APPELLATION:</b>	Carneros, Napa Valley
<b>VINEYARD:</b>	Truchard Vineyard
<b>AGING:</b>	100% Stainless Steel Cold fermentation on the lees for 6 months
<b>BOTTLED:</b>	Mar-2018
<b>ABV:</b>	13.8%
<b>PRODUCTION:</b>	200 cases



### Tasting Notes

Lemon, apple, and pineapple show on the nose as well as notes of wet slate, crème fraiche, white flowers, and a hint of match stick. The mouthfeel is palate coating and voluptuous giving way to apple, tropical fruit, and lemon pith on the back end with an insinuation of warm buttered toast on the finish. Racy acidity and crushed minerals hold the riper fruit elements in place and lend additional complexity to the floral qualities that occur as a result of the extended lees aging.

### Vineyard Notes

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.

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