

## 2018 DOLLY CHARDONNAY

## NAPA, CALIFORNIA

**VINTAGE:** 2018

VARIETAL: 100% Chardonnay

**APPELATION:** Carneros, Napa Valley

VINEYARD: Truchard Vineyard

AGING: 100% Stainless Steel

Cold fermentation on the lees for 6 months

BOTTLED: Jan-2019

**ABV:** 13.1%

**PRODUCTION:** 200 cases



## **Tasting Notes**

Notes of apple, lemon pith, and tropical fruit swirl in the glass along with layers of cultured crème, floral aromatics, and hints of freshly baked bread. Lemon and apple on the palate show notable viscosity and texture, crisp acidity, and a mineral core that resolves in back palate freshness. This wine is a charming and versatile example of single vineyard terroir expression, as displayed through a focus enhancing usage of 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.