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2016 Chardonnay Carneros, Napa Valley

The 2016 vintage was a wonderfully long and balanced growing season, with an early budbreak at the end of February and slow ripening through August and into September. We picked our Chardonnay by hand, at dawn. The grapes were whole-cluster pressed and the juice fermented on native yeast in 25% new French and American barrels, then aged eighteen months in oak. The 2016 has a lightly green-tinted yellow-gold color, with white-rose floral notes. It is medium bodied, with notes of mellow tar and matchstick on the attack, then tart green apple, fresh pineapple, and a touch of buttery burnt caramel. A very pretty wine ... Less voluptuous and more balanced than 2014; more curvacous and still more toned than 2015.

TECHNICAL DATA:

APPELLATION: CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY

VARIETALS: 100% CHARDONNAY

HARVEST DATE: 09/26/2017 BOTTLING DATE: 02/24/2018

ALC./VOL.: 14.8%
PH: 3.9
TA: 5.41 C/L
RS: 0.3 C/L

ELEVAGE: EIGHTEEN MONTHS IN OAK. PRODUCTION: 4 BARRELS: IOO CASES.

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