

WILLIAMS SELYEM



2011 Olivet Lane Vineyard Chardonnay

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

A new product for us, from an old historic site, the aromas of ripe Gravenstein apples, Meyer lemons, cinnamon, and honeysuckle fill your glass. Toasted vanilla bean, baking spices, citrus, mineral and roasted almonds linger on the palate. The texture in the mouthfeel is rich, creamy and concentrated with a citrusy finish. This is a classic mature Chardonnay vineyard with tons of concentration, complexity and life.

—*Director of Winemaking Bob Cabral*

THE VINEYARD

Located on the western benchlands of the Santa Rosa Plain, the Olivet Lane Vineyard is one of the oldest vineyards in the Russian River Valley. It was planted in 1975 by the Pellegrini family, with Chardonnay and Pinot Noir vines exclusively.

HARVEST 2011

The 2011 vintage was marked by another cool year that produced wines with tremendous purity and depth. Similar in many ways to 2010 – without the extremes - it had very low yields and below average cooler weather. But, the growing season in 2011 was much more consistent with gentle warming days and very cold summer nights. As a consequence, the vintage produced wines with incredible purity, remarkable acid and tannin balance, while expressing the uniqueness of each individual site and region. The signature of this vintage is one where the wines have bright fruit qualities, sound acidities and elegant tannin profiles. It is truly a vintage worth seeking.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description:

25% new, 15% 1 year old, 20% 2 year old, 40% 3+ years

Barrel Aged: 14 months

pH: 3.21

TA: 0.74g/100ml

Alc: 14.5%

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