

2012 JAX RESERVE CHARDONNAY

JAX VINEYARDS, COLD CREEK RANCH, CARNEROS This Chardonnay opens up with aromas of bright fruit, including pear, citrus, and white peach. Delectably rich, the creamy melange of apricot jam, white peach and honey flavors are framed by warm vanilla and almond notes. Winemaker Kirk Venge achieves a balanced acidity that keeps this wine fresh and lively on the palate.

THE STORY BEHIND THIS WINE

Sourced from an exceptional vineyard in Carneros, this fruit is chilled by the cool sea breezes of the San Pablo Bay. This cooler climate Sonoma Carneros vineyard yields incredibly well balanced and pristine fruit that continually earns top chardonnay awards year over year. In fact, Cold Creek Ranch inspired us to create our first vineyard designate JAX Chardonnay..

VINTAGE NOTES

In Napa Valley, 2012 was a season to remember. In the Carneros AVA, the early spring allowed full berry clusters to flourish. Warm summer days and cool nights allowed steady growth to ideal ripeness while maintaining bright acidity in the fruit.

Winemaker Kirk Venge ages this wine in 60% new French oak over a period of 10 months, allowing the fruit's characteristics to shine. The beautiful concentration of fruit flavors take on the richness from the French oak barrels while the wine's balanced acidity maintains a crisp, bright palate.

SPECIFICATIONS

PROPRIETORS

Kimberly & Trent Jackson

WINEMAKER

Kirk Venge

BLEND COMPOSITION

100% Chardonnay

APPELLATION

Carneros

ALCOHOL

14.3%

