2017 OVERLOOK CHARDONNAY

VARIETAL: Chardonnay  
APPELLATION: Sonoma County 
BARREL REGIME: French oak aged for 10 months (25% new) 
FERMENTATION: Native Yeast 
WINEMAKER: Greg Stach 
BOTTLING DATE: August 2018 
RELEASE DATE: February 2019 
ALCOHOL: 14.3% 

VINEYARD NOTES

The 2017 Overlook Chardonnay was crafted from 35 separate blocks of grapes sourced from 14 uniquely distinct premium Sonoma County vineyards. Working closely with our grower partners throughout the growing season in such prestigious appellations such as the Petaluma Gap, Sonoma Carneros and the Russian River Valley gives winemaker Greg Stach the high-quality fruit this bottling deserves.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Harvest for the 2017 Overlook Chardonnay started on August 29th with the Flocchini Vineyard Chardonnay in the Lakeville Highway region of the Petaluma Gap. A warm growing season compressed the harvest to exactly four weeks. Each Vineyard block is handpicked at perfect maturity and gently whole cluster pressed. The following day the juice is placed in French Oak barrels (about 25% new) and allowed to ferment naturally with yeast that was present on the grapes in the vineyard, giving each wine its own complex identity. In barrel, the Chardonnay goes through malolactic fermentation and is stirred every two weeks which results in a wine that is creamy and rich and refreshing.

TASTING NOTES

Pale yellow in the glass, showing aromas of meyer lemon, baked apple and honeysuckle. The full-bodied palate shows ripe lemon, yellow apple skin on entry with, creamy peach, subtle butterscotch notes and chamomile flower with a hint of salted caramel on the mid palate. The finish has an attractive mineral texture and fresh acidity with lightly toasted brioche and tropical fruit notes.

SUGGESTED FOOD PAIRINGS

Pair simply with yellowtail sashimi garnished with a fresh lemon wedge, or try it with a dressed-up Pairs beautifully with browned scallops in an herbed butter roux. Also try a firm cheese such as a gouda or dry jack.

WINERY HISTORY

Nestled at the base of the Mayacamas Mountains in the Sonoma Valley, Landmark Vineyards epitomizes the rustic grace and beauty of Sonoma County. Since 1974, Landmark has been dedicated to producing handcrafted, ultra-premium Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, sourcing grapes from unique vineyard sites throughout California to create rich, balanced wines.