

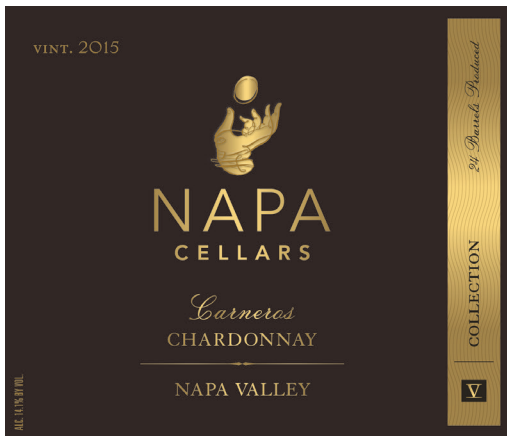


*Napa Cellars embodies the classic Napa Valley style – ripe, rich, balanced and collectible. At Napa Cellars we have the great fortune of sourcing the finest fruit from many of Napa Valley's renowned AVAs, assuring every vintage represents the very best of Napa Cellars. Our **V Collection** wines are limited-production, sub-appellation wines from the Napa Valley that pay tribute to the original five acres upon which our winery was founded in 1968. Each wine is 100% varietally true and captures the essence of the appellation from which it hails.*

Carneros
CHARDONNAY

NAPA VALLEY

VINT. 2015



Vineyards

Grapes for the 2015 V Collection Chardonnay were selected mostly from Mueller and Bartolucci vineyards in Carneros. Located in the southwestern portion of Napa Valley, these vineyards are level sites with characteristics typical of the region; thin clay soils, frequent wind and significant cloud cover. These vineyards offer ideal conditions for Chardonnay, giving the fruit an extended ripening period and creating greater complexity in the resulting wine.

Growing Season

The 2015 growing season in Napa Valley started out with unseasonably warm temperatures in the late winter and early spring, which resulted in an early bud break and bloom. Overall, the vintage was defined by lower yields and high quality fruit.

Winemaker Notes

“This bright, inviting wine showcases aromas of fresh Fuji apples, caramel and crème fraiche, framed by hints of hazelnut. It is unmistakably Chardonnay, with its refreshing acidity and complex flavors of baked apple, ripe pear, lemon curd and caramel toast, accented by grilled pineapple and floral notes. A round, mouth-coating texture complements the well-integrated oak and crisp lime peel on the finish.” —Joe Shirley

APPELLATION: CARNEROS

COMPOSITION: 100% CHARDONNAY

COOPERAGE: 10 MONTHS, 100% FRENCH OAK (37% NEW)

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

T.A.: .52 G/100ML

PH: 3.44

HARVEST DATES: SEPTEMBER 4-12, 2015

RELEASE DATE: JANUARY 2019

CASES: 1,000 6-PACKS