

SIX GENERATIONS



OF FAMILY FARMING

ROBERT YOUNG

E S T A T E W I N E R Y

Since 1858, six generations of the Young family have been farming their 450-acre estate in Alexander Valley. Today, the family known for its rich agricultural heritage and innovative farming methods embraces a new chapter with several highly regarded wines. All grapes are sustainably farmed, estate grown, and hand-picked. The juice is fermented and aged in artisan French oak barrels sourced from some of the most revered cooperages in the world. The wine is then bottled after spending a minimum of one year in our caves.

Robert Young was among the first to plant French clones of Chardonnay in America. A single selection from one of those original French clones is named in his honor: Robert Young Clone #17, a spectacular and distinctive vine that is put to excellent use in this Chardonnay.

2014 ALEXANDER VALLEY CHARDONNAY

TECHNICAL DATA

APPELLATION

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

VARIETAL

100% Estate Grown,
Robert Young Clone #17 Chardonnay

AGING

14 months in 100% French Oak;
40% New

HARVEST DATES

September 4 - 15, 2014

BOTTLED

February 1 - 2, 2016

FERMENTATION

100% Barrel Fermented

ALCOHOL

14.7%

PRODUCTION

1,208 cases



WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2014 Alexander Valley Chardonnay brings the tropical beach vacation to you. At first glance, the golden color is like a warm sunrise. Swirl the glass and the aromatics transport you to a rainforest fruit grove of rich mango, fresh sliced papaya and ripe honeydew melon. Your palate is beckoned to sample the lush combination of kiwi, guava and nectarine; while caramelized sugar and toasted Macadamia nut dance on your taste buds. This full-bodied Chardonnay finishes like a perfect sunset—long, lingering, satisfying.

-Kevin Warren, Winemaker

PREVIOUS VINTAGE REVIEWS

...great acid and beautiful depth and richness. Delicious as it is now, these wines have merited a well-earned reputation for aging a decade or longer.

2013 Vintage: 93 Points, WA March 2016

A bold, rich, expressive style that delivers intense pear, fig, honeysuckle and creamy, jazzy oak in a full-bodied, graceful style...

2012 Vintage: 92 Points, WS March 2015

Nicely oaky, creamy and seductive, with ripe pear, smoky oak and toasty vanilla scents that gain depth, length and nuance, lingering on the finish.

2011 Vintage: 90 Points, WS July 2014

... deliciously drinkable. Shows the ripe tropical fruit and peach. Oak brings extra richness of buttered toast. Balanced with crisp acidity.

2010 Vintage: 90 Points, WE May 2013

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