



RUSACK

2015 CATALINA ISLAND VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY

Santa Catalina Island's El Rancho Escondido was founded by Alison's family in 1930, and for decades was a working Arabian horse ranch. After Geoff and Alison's first date there -- some 27 years ago -- they began to dream of planting a small vineyard overlooking the ocean in the pastures where horses once grazed. That long-standing dream is now represented in this bottle.

From planting to growing, and from hand picking to wine making, this one-of-a-kind terroir has been honored in every step. The result is a wonderful Chardonnay exhibiting old-world, silky complexity, with bright, light vanilla flavors and aromas of California's famed citrus. 201 cases were produced.

Optimum Storage Conditions: Constant temperature, 55-58° F, darkness

Aging Potential: To enjoy young fruit aromas, consume within 1-3 years of bottling date. For extended aging under ideal conditions, consume within 3-10 years of bottling date.

Appellation: California

Varietal: 100% Chardonnay

Grower/Ranch: Rusack, Santa Catalina Island Vineyard

Produced & Bottled By: Rusack Vineyards, Solvang Ca

Bottling Date: July 15th 2016

Cases Produced: 201 cases

Release Date: November 2016

Fermentation: Barrel fermented, 100% malolactic,

Lees stirred for 4 months

Aging: 100% French oak, 56% new oak, Aged for 10 months

Bottle analysis: Alcohol: 13.8%, pH: 3.32, ta: 0.700 g/100ml

