



June's Vineyard Chardonnay 2016

Technical Information:

Appellation	VQA Creek Shores
Vineyard(s)	June's Vineyard
Varietal(s)	100% Chardonnay
Brix at Harvest	21.5
Alcohol Content	13.5%
Residual Sugar	3 grams/Litre
Total Production	350 cases of 12



TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 June's Vineyard Chardonnay is dominated by notes of fresh cut citrus fruit and mineral, with creamy aromas. On the palate it is dry with citrus flavours and a creamy texture, with firm acidity and a mineral-tinged finish. Extremely versatile, happily paired with everything from white fleshed fish and shell fish, to anything deep-fried as well as salads and lighter fare. Serve well chilled.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The Chardonnay from June's Vineyard has developed a consistent mineral-driven personality that is best coaxed out by careful manual harvesting and fermentation and aging in 100% stainless steel, with full malolactic fermentation. 2016 was an average-sized harvest and the grapes were in pristine condition so no sorting was required prior to pressing. Following fermentation, the wine was kept in contact with its fine lees for 6 months prior to bottling in spring 2016, following light fining and filtration.

VINTAGE NOTES

The winter of 2015/2016 was thankfully mild after the deep freezes of the previous two, yet a cool spring delayed bud-burst. Once the summer finally started it was warm, sunny and almost draught-like. Luckily light rain in August refreshed the parched vines. Harvest started with Pinot and Chardonnay for sparkling on September 8th and continued with other whites and light reds. The beautiful weather lasted well into the fall, allowing for long hang time for Cabernet Sauvignon. All grapes came in clean and disease-free with little need for sorting. Overall yields were moderate to high with very high quality throughout. The wines are characterized by both freshness and structure across the portfolio, with potential for enjoyable early consumption or the opportunity to cellar wines for the medium-to-long-term.