

2016 CALERA CENTRAL COAST CHARDONNAY

“Josh Jensen’s appellation blend Chardonnay is arguably the best American white wine for the price.” - Wine Enthusiast



Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Market Trends/Opportunity: Chardonnay \$15+ SRP category is +5% vs. PY.

Winemaker: Mike Waller

Availability: National

Appellation: Central Coast

SRP: \$25

Winemaking & Sourcing: Sourced from select vineyards in California’s Central Coast including notable vineyards Bien Nacido in Santa Barbara and Chalone in Monterey. The wine was fermented in barrels by native yeasts, followed by complete malolactic fermentation, then aged without racking in French oak barrels, 10% new, for ten months.

Tasting Notes: Vibrant and inviting, this wine captures the essence of Chardonnay grown on the cool, windswept Central Coast. Aromas of jasmine, vanilla bean and passion fruit rise from the glass revealing this wine’s youthful charm. On the beautifully fruit-driven palate, layers of green apple, grapefruit and pineapple are framed by subtle oak and a refreshing acidity that carry the flavors to a bright, focused finish.

Key Accolades: v15 90 Pts., *Jeb Dunnuck*. v14 92 Pts., *Wine Enthusiast*. v14 90 Pts., *Wine Spectator*. v13 90 Pts., *Wine Spectator* Top 100 Wines of 2015 - #48. v13 90 Pts., *Robert Parker*.

Recommended Pairings: Shrimp Tempura, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Seared Scallops, Lemony Shrimp Risotto, Herb Crusted Halibut

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Marquee Accounts: TBD

SCC/Case Code: 50745067961646

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Alcohol: 14.2%

Formats Available: 750ml