

## SENSES CHARLES HEINTZ CHARDONNAY 2016

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### VINTAGE

The 2016 vintage marked a “return to normalcy” for many in Sonoma County. After the disastrous yields of 2015, most vineyards saw closer to average tonnage and the rains that followed the harvest were more than welcome to alleviate the drought. Favorable weather allowed for even ripening and full phenolic development without being pressured by extreme heat spikes, as with previous vintages.

### VINEYARD

Ideal Goldridge soil, healthy, mature vines, warm days balanced with cool nights and a grower who has been working the land since 1982 all contribute to Robert Parker’s assessment of the vineyard as “... one of the great grand cru Chardonnay sites in California.”

### WINE

Heintz always impresses and this vintage is no different. Rich yellow apple and ripe peaches jump out of the glass along with the expected honeysuckle notes indicative of the site. Candied lemon, pineapple and hints of pear bring together this wonderfully balanced and delicious wine.

APPELLATION: SONOMA COAST

ALCOHOL: 14.4%

VARIETAL: 100% CHARDONNAY

AGING: 100% FRENCH OAK; 30% NEW; 12 MTHS

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