

APEX CELLARS

2014
CHARDONNAY

BLEND
100% Chardonnay

BOTTLING
pH: 3.73
TA: 5.6 g/L
Alc: 14.8%
RS: 1.0 g/L
Fining: Cross Flow
ML: 100%

YEAST
Premier Cuvee

FERMENTATION
100% Barrel Fermented

MATURATION
100% French, 40% New
8 months

RELEASE DATE
November 2015



Apex joined Washington state pioneering winemakers in 1988, with its original production facility in Sunnyside, Washington. Known as a super-premium label, its strengths garnered immediate acclaim with the release of Cabernet Sauvignon. Our well-established vineyards underscore Apex's ability to produce consistent world-class wines. With a relentless pursuit of perfection, we're certain you'll enjoy the 'Apex of Washington Wine!'

TASTING NOTE

Clear, straw yellow in color, the 2014 Chardonnay opens up with peach, apricot and orange zest followed by aromas of pie crust/short bread and crème brulee. The bright stone fruit characters carry through on the palate with good weight and balanced acidity. Sur-les aged with monthly stirring, this wine has a nice integrated yeast aroma and flavor that should allow for palate length and complexity to develop over the next 2-3 years in bottle.

COLUMBIA VALLEY

The 2014 Washington State harvest proved to be spectacular with a record crop level and excellent quality. All factors needed for success came together perfectly: cool nights, lots of warm weather in the growing season, and rain limited mostly to the shoulder seasons. Harvest started the third week of August and wrapped up in the second week of November. The crop across the state was heavy, yet bountiful with quality. Our vineyard team enjoyed weather that enabled them to pick at will, affording perfect flavor, acidity and sugar levels.