



CHEHALEM (chuh-HAY-lum) wines are the product of three remarkable vineyards and one unquenchable curiosity. Any questions? **chehalemwines.com**.

PRODUCED AND BOTTLED BY CHEHALEM 31190 NE VERITAS LANE, NEWBERG, OR • (503) 538-4700 MADE IN THE U.S.A.

13.5% ALC. BY VOL. CONTAINS SULFITES. 750 ML
GOVERMMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON
GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
DURING PREGNAMOY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS.
(2) CONSUMPTION OF A LOCHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR
ABULITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY
CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.



## 2014 IAN'S RESERVE CHARDONNAY

## VINTAGE NOTES

2014 was one of those rare vintages when everyone is excited—writers and winemakers love the quality, grape growers had no handwringing to do, and yields pleased bankers, which also means customers will see reasonable prices! Wine quality is excellent, based on full ripeness, probably the cleanest fruit we've seen in decades, and restrained extraction in fermentation to compensate for the warmest growing season on record. Despite the warmth of over 2800 degree days, good cropload balance and harvest timing gave us reasonable alcohols, averaging just under 14%. Whites are lush and gorgeously fruited. Pinot noir colors are appropriately rich but not deep, wines not tannic or over-extracted, and all's right with the world.

## WINEMAKERS NOTES

Riper years do wonders for the juiciness and tropical fruit aspects of Ian's Chardonnay, and this year embodies what we love about barrel-fermented Chardonnay. A first look at the glass shows crystalline clarity and a very light straw color. The nose greets us with ripe yellow peach, citrus blossom, and wet stone, but when you take a sip you are able to see the full potential of this wine. Racing around your palate you will see slight sweet vanilla and oak, apple and peach gummy candies, fresh star fruit and pineapple, a bit of richness from oak and alcohol, and a firm, taut finish. Still a little reserved when we first opened it up - give it time and it will truly shine.

## TECHNICAL NOTES

GRAPES & VINEYARDS 100% Estate-Grown Chardonnay from Stoller Vineyards Dundee Hills AVA, Oregon.

Harvest Data Harvested 9/23/2014 @ 22.0-22.5 brix, 3.28-3.37 pH, and 4.8-5.3 g/L TA, from 4.0-

4.1 tons per acre cropload.

FERMENTATION & COOPERAGE
Fermented in barrel with CY3079, Terroir, VL1, and native yeasts. Aged 11 months in

barrel, racked once. 41% new and 25% 1-year-old French oak barrels.

BOTTLING Crossflow filtered; bottled 9/4/2015.

BOTTLING ANALYSES 13.5% alcohol, 7.4 g/l TA, 3.36 pH.

AMOUNT PRODUCED 442 cases

SUGGESTED RETAIL \$40

RELEASE DATE February, 2017



We make sustainability a priority in farming our vineyards and making our wine. Visit live.org for more information on the Low Input Viticulture and Enology program.

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