



2013 Los Carneros Catherine's Vineyard, *Estate Grown* **CHARDONNAY**

About the Winery

Bonneau Winery is operated by the third generation of Bonneaus with family history dating back to the early 1920s in Sonoma, California. Catherine & Auguste Bonneau originally came to America from the vineyard lands near Tarn, France and began farming a 70 acre parcel of land just south of the town of Sonoma. After growing and providing Chardonnay grapes to several well-known wineries in both Sonoma and Napa, the family launched its own brand in 2002.

Our Chardonnay grapes were carefully selected and hand-picked before dawn from our vineyard estate located in the heart of the Los Carneros appellation. Extra care was taken in the handling of the grapes to preserve the optimum flavor & varietal character by whole-cluster pressing in the cool early morning hours then barrel fermenting & aging the wine in premium French Burgundian oak barrels at our new state-of-the-art winery facility.

John Bambury is the Director of Winemaking and handles all the winemaking responsibilities.

The Vineyard		The Production	on
Name:	Catherine Bonneau Vineyard	Fermentation:	95% barrel fermented, 100% malo-
Appellation:	Los Carneros		lactic and <i>sur lie</i> aged 9 months; 5%
Clones:	4 (Martini), 17 (Wente),		tank fermented with no malo-lactic
	809 (Musque)		fermentation
Spacing:	7' rows x 5' vines	Barrels:	58% New French oak
Training:	Cane	Coopers:	Sirugue, Damy, Billon, Tonnellerie
Yield:	3.75T per acre		Val du Loire
Year Planted:	1988 & 2006	Aged:	10 months
		Production:	874 cases
The Harvest			
Date:	September 11–28, 2013	Wine Profile	
Grapes:	100% Chardonnay, 3 clones blended	Alcohol:	14.3%
Sorted:	Hand-harvested before dawn, cold	TA:	0.60 g/100mL
	pressed	pH:	3.60



Winemaker Notes: The 2013 Chardonnay grapes were grown on our own distinguished estate, Catherine Bonneau Vineyard in the heart of Sonoma Carneros. We used a blend of three distinct clones, Young – Wente clone 17, Martini clone 4 & Musqué clone 809. This unique combination adds complexity. This wine has light golden color with aromas of Bosc pear, white peach & citrus. On the palate, there is a creamy texture balanced with just the right amount of acidity. Light tropical fruit flavors combine with hazelnut, vanilla & spices that come together for a luscious finish.

We welcome your comments at (800) 996-0420 or www.bonneauwine.com.