

2017 WEST Chardonnay



- 100% Chardonnay
- Harvested September 24, 2017
- Dry Creek Valley AVA
- Aged 4 months in neutral French oak barrels
- 25% malolactic fermentation
- Alc. 13.5%

2017 WEST Chardonnay shows classic aromas of green apple and pear. The same flavors continue on the palate with notes of citrus, honey melon and a hint of vanilla. This wine has a smooth and silky mouthfeel and long, lingering finish. You can pair it with fish, seafood, chicken, duck and turkey and creamy vegetable dishes. It is delicious with cheeses like brie or just by itself.

The grapes come from the gravel loam soils in our Creekside Estate in Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County. In the south end of Dry Creek Valley the morning fog provides a cool climate for white grapes in contrast with the warmer northern end of the valley.

West Wines is a family winery in Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County owned by Katarina Bonde and Bengt Akerlind. Our winemaking style is inspired by French winemaking and we have been exporting wine to Europe since 2004. We practice sustainable farming, minimizing the use of energy and water, and using solar power. Between our wine rows we plant cover

crops to create nutrition for the plants but also flowers who serve as a habitat for beneficial insects for pest control.

Winemakers are Katarina Bonde and Phyllis Zouzounis. Katarina got her Winemakers Certificate at UC Davis and hands on experience while crafting the portfolio of wines at West Wines. Phyllis began her winemaking career at Dry Creek Vineyards in 1980 and has been the winemaker at many prestigious wineries in Sonoma County.