



2015 CHARDONNAY

THE STORY

The LVE Collection by John Legend is the perfect harmony of passion, eloquence and Napa Valley tradition, LVE wines are a unique series of rich, soulful and complex notes inspired by true love, produced in collaboration with Napa Valley's renowned Raymond Vineyards.

Legend Vineyard Exclusive was a dream long in the making. As with his music, John searched for the right collaborator, a vineyard whose pursuit of the perfect blend and standards of excellence equaled his own. With roots deep in the Napa Valley and award-winning wines known for beautiful balance, finesse and power, Raymond Vineyards was the perfect match.

LVE brings together classic elegance, rich complexity and modern soul.

WINEMAKING

A mix of Dijon and Clone 4, the fruit for our Chardonnay comes from three vineyards in Napa: Mt. Veeder, Carneros and South Napa. Mt. Veeder is dry farmed and above the fog line which allows the grapes longer ripening hours and helps preserve their acidity. Carneros and South Napa have clay loam soils and are foggy and windy which delays ripening so the fruit will come in later with a higher acidity. The wine was 100% barrel fermented in a mix of Francois Frere, and Seguin Moreau French oak barrels - 50% new - for 11 months before bottling and went through 100% malolactic fermentation with a mix of native and inoculated ferments.

WINE PROFILE

Our 2015 LVE Chardonnay is toasty and balanced, It's rich nose delivers white floral aromas of Gardenia with mango and honeyed oak. Full and rich on the palate, it's reminiscent of panna cotta with hints of cardamom and roasted Filberts.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Napa Valley

Varietal: 100% Chardonnay

Alcohol: 15% by vol.

pH: 3.47

TA: 6.0 g/L

Ageing: 11 months in French oak barrels, 50% new