



## 2017 NAPA VALLEY ESTATE OAK FREE CHARDONNAY

St. Supéry Estate Vineyards and Winery is a 100% Estate Grown, sustainably farmed winery located in the renowned Rutherford growing region in the heart of Napa Valley. Committed to producing the highest quality estate wines without compromise, we focus on sustainable winery and farming operations to protect the land and environment for future generations. Our Napa Valley Estate collection includes Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Oak Free Chardonnay, Rosé and Moscato. These wines are balanced and showcase bright, fruit-forward flavors.

**WINEMAKER'S NOTES** Rich tropical aromas combine with apricot, cantaloupe and ripe pear with a touch of floral orange blossom. Cantaloupe and apricot continue through the palate with ripe nectarine and fruit cup flavors that are highlighted by lemon zest on the finish, creating a bright, fresh and refreshing Chardonnay.

**VINTAGE 2017** An extreme winter in 2017 left our lakes full which was welcome after several dry years. This ground water primed the vineyards for what turned out to be another wonderful harvest. Early spring saw nice days with May quickly warming up. The summer experienced a number of heat spells and caused the vineyards to accelerate their ripening, while conditions remained dry. Harvest commenced with Chardonnay on August 28 and was swift due to this coinciding with a significant warm spell over Labor Day. The fruit arrived in great condition and the results have been rewarding. Harvested in the cool morning hours to preserve the delicate flavors, the fruit was received in the cellar, where the grapes were pressed to tank and immediately chilled and settled prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks. 13 percent of the blend was put through secondary malolactic fermentation to enhance complexity. The wine was kept on yeast lees for four months and stirred once a week to broaden the palate feel.



### APPELLATION

Napa Valley

### PH

3.38

### ALCOHOL

13.5%

### VINEYARD

Dollarhide Estate Vineyard

### T. ACIDITY

6.3 g/L

### HARVEST DATES

August 28 - 31, 2017

### VARIETY/BLEND

100% Chardonnay

### RESIDUAL SUGAR

<0.2%

### BOTTLING DATE

February 26, 2018



ESTATE GROWN + SUSTAINABLY FARMED + CERTIFIED NAPA GREEN

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