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Krutz 2008 “Sleepy Hollow Vineyard” Chardonnay, Santa Lucia Highlands

Winemaker's Tasting Notes

Another great and balanced vintage from this cool-climate. Pineapple, apricot, and vanilla cream-brioche dance across the palate while a golden apple-spice resonates on the finish. The snappy acidity keeps this Chardonnay bright and fresh from start to finish.

VINEYARD & HARVEST INFORMATION

<i>Vineyard</i>	Sleepy Hollow is certainly one of the most famous vineyards in the Monterey appellation; 40+ year-old Wente clone vines planted on its original root-stalk in the pre-phylloxera days. Planted in the early 1970's on the Santa Lucia Highlands bench, west of Gonzales, the combination of chardonnay clones, sandy-gravelly soils, north-easterly exposure, and an early California split-canopy trellis system has produced award-winning wines for over two decades.
<i>Vineyard Elevation</i>	500 feet above sea level
<i>Exposure</i>	East-Northeast
<i>Soil</i>	Arroyo Seco gravelly loam
<i>Block/Clone</i>	Wente
<i>Harvested</i>	October 13, 2008

WINEMAKING INFORMATION

<i>Blend</i>	96% Chardonnay, 4% Viognier
<i>Fermentation</i>	Barrel fermented; sur lie and bâtonnage for 6 months.
<i>Alcohol by Volume</i>	14.4%
<i>pH</i>	3.62
<i>Cooperage</i>	40% new French oak
<i>Barrel Aging</i>	13 months
<i>Release Date:</i>	April, 2010
<i>Production</i>	200 cases



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