



## 2009 ASHLEY'S CHARDONNAY

STA. RITA HILLS

**VINEYARD SOURCE:** 100% RANCHO LAS HERMANAS VINEYARD (FORMERLY ASHLEY'S VINEYARD) IN THE STA. RITA HILLS

**COMPOSITION:** 100% CHARDONNAY

**BARREL AGING:** 10 MONTHS IN 40% NEW FRENCH OAK

**COOPERAGE:** SIRUGUE, DARGUAD & JAEGLE, DE MERCUREY, ERMITAGE, D'AQUITAINE & CLAUDE GILLET

**HARVEST DATE:** OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> – NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>

**TONS PER ACRE:** 1.2-2.8

**BLOCKS:** 6D, H, G, R, I

**BRIX:** 23.5 – 24.4

**ALCOHOL:** 14.5% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

**P.H.:** 3.37

**T.A.:** .672G/100ML

**PRODUCTION:** 1949-6 PACK CASES

### COMMENTS:

This award winning Sta. Rita Hills Chardonnay displays a beautiful light straw color and exhibits aromas of pear, apple, honey, vanilla, yellow peach and a touch of oak. Pear, citrus, apple, and lemon cream flavors are combined with pastry, vanilla and baking spices on the mouth. This well balanced chardonnay has good acidity and a nice creamy finish.

#### 2009 Vintage

**92 Points** – Tasting Panel Mag/Anthony Dias Blue

**88 Points** – *Stephen Tanzer*

#### 2008 Vintage

**95 Points (Editor's Choice)** – *Wine Enthusiast*

**93 Points** – *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

#### 2007 Vintage

**93 Points** – *Wine Enthusiast*

**90 Points** – *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*



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