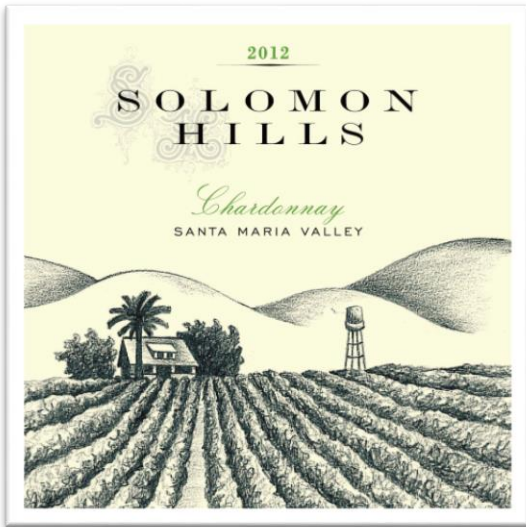


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2012 CHARDONNAY, SOLOMON HILLS VINEYARD



STATISTICS

Varietal 100% Chardonnay, Clone 75, 95, 96

Vineyard Site Solomon Hills Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley, Santa Barbara County. 10 miles from the Pacific Ocean, this Chardonnay is planted on the western edge of the Santa Maria Valley appellation. This site is not only the furthest west in Santa Maria but its also one of the coolest.

Soils Garey Series; is a marine based wind deposited loamy sand that at one time was the sea bed.

Vine Age Planted in 1999

Yield 2.8 tons per acre

Alcohol 14.0%

Case Production 186 cases

WINEMAKER NOTES

Hand harvested at night, and whole cluster pressed. It was then barrel fermented with native yeast and malolactic fermentations. Aging was sur lie for 16 months in French oak; 28% new. This wine was bottled unfiltered.

Beautiful aromas of passion fruit, ginger, and flint on the nose. This Solomon Hills has bright acidity that becomes very rich and round on the mid palate and finish.

ACCOLADES

94 POINTS – Antonio Galloni

93 POINTS – Wine Enthusiast

92 POINTS – Wine Advocate