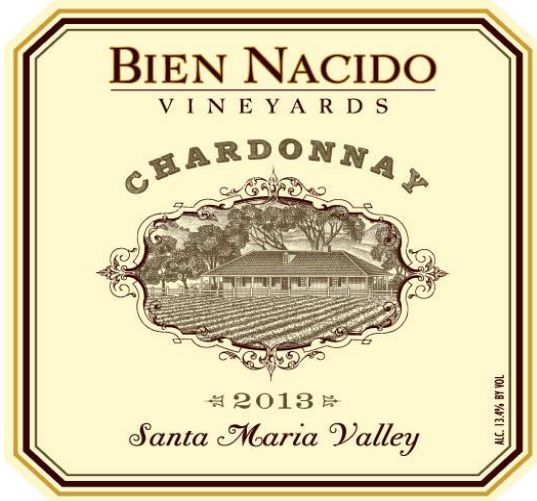


BIEN NACIDO ESTATE

2013 CHARDONNAY, SANTA MARIA VALLEY



STATISTICS

Varietal	100% Chardonnay, Clone 4
Vineyard Site	Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley, Santa Barbara County. 600 ft to 900 ft elevation, this site is 16 miles from the Pacific Ocean.
Soils	Elder, and Chamise shaly loams with Pleasanton sandy loam. The vineyard has a great diversity of soils containing limestone, shales, uplifted marine volcanics, and loam.
Vine Age	Planted in 1973
Yield	2.6 tons per acre
Alcohol	13.4%
Case Production	167 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.

Meyer lemon, spice notes, and oysters come out of the glass. The suave entry yields to a dense and energetic palate that is saline yet rich.

ACCOLADES

95 POINTS – Antonio Galloni

90 POINTS – The Wine Advocate