



LEAPING
HORSE
VINEYARDS

2016 Chardonnay

History: Born from a love of horses, Leaping Horse is aptly named. The Kautz family have been involved in many generations of riders and are passionate about their equine friends and partners. From an artist rendition to today's look, Leaping Horse is about unpretentious and contemporary wine styles.

Vineyards: The Kautz family has been promoting and working with sustainable viticulture for over 35 years. Crop reduction, leaf removal, organic materials and drip irrigation are used throughout the vineyards to improve the quality and intensity of flavors. Cover crops, which attract beneficial insects are also employed. In addition, owl boxes and wood duck boxes are placed around the vineyards and ponds helping to preserve the surrounding habitats. This Chardonnay comes from soils that are sandy loam and well-drained allowing the wonderful ripeness come through to the grapes.

Winemaker Notes: Medium bodied with a delightful pale yellow hue, the 2016 Leaping Horse Vineyards Chardonnay is bright and crisp from start to finish. It has citrus highlights to green apples, pears and tropical fruit aromas and flavors. The finish hints to a bit of lemon zest and a tight minerality that is enjoyable and refreshing.

Chef Recommendations: This wine is excellent with vegetarian pastas, herb roasted chicken, grilled salmon, barbecued scallops or a seafood pasta in cream sauce. Also, wonderful on its own.

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Best Buy (v. 2015)
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Blend: 100% Chardonnay

Appellation: California

Sub-AVA: Lodi

Aging: Four months, New French Oak

Alcohol: 13.5%

TA: 5.2

pH: 3.55

RS: 2.40 g/L

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