



PARALLEL NAPA VALLEY

2012 RUSSIAN RIVER CHARDONNAY

PHILIPPE MELKA WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES

“THIS CHARDONNAY OPENS ON THE NOSE WITH BRIGHT AROMAS OF VANILLA, LEMON PEEL AND COCONUT, LACED WITH HINTS OF SWEET OAK. UPON CLOSER INSPECTION EXOTIC NOTES OF KUMQUATS BEGIN TO EVOLVE. THE PALATE BEGINS WITH A TOUCH OF SOFT ACID AND WELL INTEGRATED BLOND OAK TANNIN LEADING TO FULL BODY THAT IS WELL TEXTURED AND CREAMY AS A RESULT OF THE TRADITIONAL SUR LEES TECHNIQUE USED. IN RETROSPECT THE WINE'S FINISH IS ELEGANT AND LONG, ADORNED WITH FLAVORS OF CRÈME BRÛLÉE, MANDARIN ORANGES AND SUBTLE OAK HINTS. A WELL BALANCED AND HARMONIOUS WINE TO SAY THE LEAST.”

**GOLD MEDAL- 2015 SAN FRANCISCO
CHRONICLE WINE COMPETITION**

**GOLD MEDAL & 90 POINTS-
2015 SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL WINE
COMPETITION**



Vintage: 2012
Varietal: 100% Chardonnay
AVA: Russian River
Harvest Date: October 6 & 8, 2012
Alcohol: 15.2%
pH: 3.59
Brix: 23.9

Aging: 20 months in French
Oak Puncheons (72.5% New
French Oak)
Bottling: February 18, 2014
Production: 622 cases