

**2004 Chardonnay, Napa Valley Spring Mountain District**

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**WINE DATA**

**Alcohol:** 13.9%  
**Total Acidity:** 0.680 grams/100mL  
**pH:** 3.450  
**Residual Sugar:** Dry  
**Bottling Date:** 3rd of May 2005  
**Blend:** 100% Chardonnay  
**Production:** 2100

**Description**

The 2004 growing season supplied plenty of warmth to prompt Chardonnay grapes to ripen to full maturity. The fruit was hand harvested, de-stemmed, then gently pressed. Twenty percent of the juice was fermented and aged in stainless steel, while eighty percent was fermented and aged in French and American oak barrels. No secondary, or malolactic fermentation was carried out, leading to the crisp, citrus character of this wine. The portion of Chardonnay aged in barrel was left on its lees and stirred weekly. The wine was bottled after approximately eight months of aging in the cellar.

The finished wine shows citrus, ripe pear and green apple in the nose. Hints of lush white peach are noticed as the wine opens up. The sur-lie aging has added richness and complexity, and plenty of oak character returns on the finish. Like all of Keenan's wines, this Chardonnay is a food worthy wine whose crisp acidity and medium body will accompany a wide variety of food fare.

Excerpt from Robert M. Parker, Jr.'s,

**The Wine Advocate,**  
Issue 162, December 26, 2005

90 Points

"Readers looking for a Chablisean-styled California Chardonnay should check out Keenan's 2004 Chardonnay Spring Mountain (District), which saw about 20% new oak and the rest neutral wood as well as stainless steel. Aromas of pears, citrus oils, and minerals jump from the glass of this elegant, flowery offering. With abundant fruit and crisp vivaciousness, it should be enjoyed over the next 1-3 years."

**AWARDS**

**Robert M. Parker Jr., The Wine Advocate**

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**Wine & Spirits Magazine**

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