

# TOPEL

## 2008 CHARDONNAY RESERVE Classique



An artfully balanced Chardonnay, styled after the classic Montrachet wines from Burgundy. Full bodied, with fine overtones of oak, it has a slightly creamy mouthfeel and a long, smooth finish. Blonde, beautiful and elegant — reminiscent of Lauren Bacall.

This Chardonnay is a blend from two spectacular vineyard sources in Mendocino — one farmed by our neighbor to the north and the other being the highly acclaimed Talmage Vineyard, located just south and east of Ukiah. Once harvested, the grapes underwent indigenous yeast fermentation. The wine was aged in one-year-old Francois Ferrer barrels with malolactic fermentation stopped at 50%. While it is perfect for drinking now, we have crafted it in a manner that will enable it to cellar for many years.

### VITALS:

100 % Chardonnay

Average Brix: 23.5

Alcohol: 14.2

TA: .58

pH: 3.26

61 cases

