



TOPEL

2008 CHARDONNAY

Zephyr

A zephyr wind is a gentle, pleasant and refreshing breeze that hails from the west — a perfect description for this magnificent wine. Crisp and bright, it's a lean, flinty Chardonnay crafted in the style of a Grand Cru Chablis.

We carefully selected the fruit for this wine from two Mendocino vineyards with excellent pedigrees. One belongs to our neighbor to the north and the other is the highly regarded Talmage Vineyard, which has some of the oldest vines in Mendocino County. The grapes we harvested were of spectacular quality, yielding a wine with layers of complexity.

Our Chardonnay was indigenously fermented in stainless steel, aged briefly in neutral French oak and stopped before malolactic fermentation.

VITALS:

100% Chardonnay

Average Brix: 23.5

Alcohol: 14.1

TA: .66

pH: 3.21

225 cases

