



STEELHEAD®

BETTER WINE. BETTER WORLD.

2009

CHARDONNAY

SONOMA COUNTY



TASTING NOTES

This delightful wine shows aromas of peach and exotic Asian spices on opens to a moderately full-bodied wine with minerality that speaks to the cool climate sites. Good acid and backbone release the late palate yellow stone fruit - peach and apricot - flavors. Delicious paired with Gruyere, shellfish, roasted poultry and cream sauces.

WINEMAKING

A kiss of french oak, partial barrel fermentation with a portion of the wine aged in the barrel on lees and 50% malolactic fermentation.

VINTAGE

2009 started off with a warmer, drier spring followed by a summer with average heat. Harvest concluded in late September producing evenly ripened grapes showing full concentration and balanced acid producing fruit with bright flavors.

TROUT UNLIMITED

In 2002 the first vintage of Steelhead was released, an inspired tribute to our Steelhead trout and Coho salmon restoration efforts Northern California. In 1998 Quivira Vineyards partnered with conservation organizations, including Trout Unlimited, on a successful project to restore Wine Creek (a tributary of Dry Creek) running through the Quivira estate and established Steelhead wine. Today Steelhead Vineyards stands as its own winery and partners with Quivira to support TU. Our commitment and continued work with TU is a unique endeavor to rebuild spawning grounds and restore watersheds. A portion of the proceeds from every bottle of Steelhead sold helps to fund TU's work and conservation projects.

TECHNICAL DATA

Varietal:	100% Chardonnay
Alcohol:	14.2%
Acidity:	0.60 g/100ml
pH:	3.50
Released:	January 2011
Production:	2,500
UPC:	098576061129



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