

CANOE RIDGE ESTATE HORSE HEAVEN HILLS 2015 CHARDONNAY

TASTING NOTES

"The Canoe Ridge Estate Chardonnay is refined and elegant and offers apple and citrus aromas with a clean, refreshing finish. We age the wine in lighter French oak barrels to maintain the fresh, elegant style of this Chardonnay."

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Bob Bertheau, Winemaker

VINTAGE

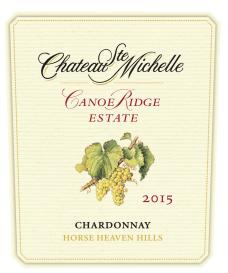
- The 2015 vintage was one of the warmest growing seasons on record in Washington state.
- Warm temperatures continued through the spring and summer, moderating slightly into fall and extending an early harvest.
- Overall, 2015 saw optimal ripening across varieties and yielded outstanding wines throughout the region.

VINEYARDS

- Planted in 1991, the vineyard at Canoe Ridge Estate is located in Washington's Horse Heaven Hills AVA on a steep South facing slope to the Columbia River.
- The site's proximity to the river and strong wind patterns protect it from temperature extremes, allowing uniform ripening and excellent color development.
- Canoe Ridge Estate vineyard is LIVE and Salmon Safe certified.

WINEMAKING

- 86% of the wine was aged in French oak barrels, and 14% in stainless steel.
- 100% aged *sur lie* for nine months to integrate the fruit and oak flavors and provide a rich mouthfeel.
- Underwent malolactic fermentation for added softness, balance and depth.



TECHNICAL DATA	
Alcohol Total Acidity pH Blend	14.5% 0.55g/100 ml 3.35 100% Canoe Ridge Estate Chardonnay
FOOD PAIRINGS	
Foods	Salmon, crab cakes, pork
Herbs	Ginger, lemon zest, tarragon, thyme

