

Sale Name: Fine Wines & Spirits

LOT 203 - Chardonnay Selection (5 bottles)



Estimate \$ 120 - 180

Description

Chardonnay Selection (5 bottles)

Beringer Private Reserve Chardonnay 1994

Napa Valley, Chardonnay
750 ml / USA / 13.3% ABV

WA 93 | WS 95

"Beringer produces three Chardonnay cuvees. The 1,500 cases of 1994 Chardonnay Private Reserve will not last long on retailers' shelves as they are destined to disappear into the mouths of serious Chardonnay freaks. Beringer has fine-tuned this wine, which ten years ago was among the most oaky California Chardonnays, without compromising its intensity and unctuous texture. The 1994 possesses good underlying acidity and structure, but its finest attributes are the ripeness and thick, honeyed, viscous, mouthfilling, spring flower blossom, honeyed apple, and peach/apricot-like flavors presented in a full-bodied style."

December 1996 (RP – Wine advocate)

Beringer Private Reserve Chardonnay 1996

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"It is going to be the rare case where a 1996 Napa Chardonnay turns out to be better than its 1995 counterpart. The latter vintage is undoubtedly one of the classic vintages for California Chardonnay, while 1996 is merely good. Beringer's three cuvees of 1996 Chardonnay are all extremely well-made. The 1996 Chardonnay Private Reserve follows the extraordinary 1995 and 1994. Production has doubled to nearly 20,000 cases of this lush, full-bodied wine. The 1996 is more structured than previous vintages, but I do not think it will last any longer. The wine is given a full malolactic fermentation, with 85% of the cuvee aged in new oak casks. The result is a smoky, medium to full-bodied, honeyed Chardonnay with copious quantities of ripe, buttery tropical fruit. The sur lie aging, as well as the stirring of the lees gives this wine a Burgundian-like, smoky, hazelnut complexity."

December 1997 (RP – Wine Advocate)

Hess Collection Napa Valley Chardonnay 1993

Napa Valley, Chardonnay

750 ml / USA / 13% ABV

J. Lohr "Riverstone" Chardonnay 1994

Monterey County, Arroyo Seco, Chardonnay

750 ml / USA / 13% ABV

Talbott Vineyards "Diamond T Estate" Chardonnay 1992

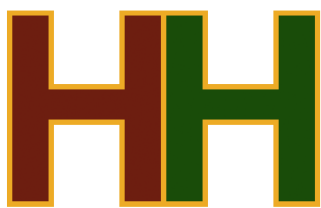
Monterey County, Chardonnay

750 ml / USA / 13.1% ABV

Proceeds from the sale of this lot are to the benefit of The Palliative Care Society of the Bow Valley.

Quantity: 1

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