



L E Y D A



Single Vineyard Falaris Hill Chardonnay 2015

WINE DESCRIPTION

100% Chardonnay from estate vineyards in the Leyda Valley. Falaris Hill Vineyard is a small block located on a southeastern facing slope, with a particularly low fertility to the soil. To maximize fruit quality, it is further managed to keep yields low, about 2.4 to 2.8 tons per acre. The grapes were hand harvested. After a gentle whole cluster pressing, the juice was chilled down to 46°F and gravity clarified. The must was fermented with several yeasts in French oak barrels, ¼ of them new. After fermentation, 90% of the juice was sulphated in order to avoid malolactic fermentation and to keep the natural acidity of the wine. The remaining 10% underwent malolactic fermentation. Battonage was carried out twice a week during the 8 months that the wine was in barrels, to ensure the perfect integration of fruit and oak aromas and flavors.

TASTING NOTES

Fine and integrated oak notes add complexity to the nose. Ripe citrus character like lemons and tangerines combine with wheat aromas and mineral notes. Fresh and dense in the mouth, this wine has a creamy texture in the mid-palate and a lively acidity further back, where the minerality stands up and provides freshness and length.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/appellation:	Valle de San Antonio
Vineyard name:	The Falaris Hill vineyard in the Leyda Valley
Vineyard size:	9 acres
Soil composition:	Loamy clay and granite
Training method:	Double Guyot
Elevation:	330-500 feet
Vines/acre:	622
Yield/acre:	2.4-2.8 tons
Exposure:	South-East
Year vineyard planted:	1998
Harvest time:	April
First vintage of this wine:	2001
Bottles produced of this wine:	1,800

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition:	100% Chardonnay
Fermentation container:	French oak barrels
Length of alcoholic fermentation:	25 days
Fermentation temperature:	57-60 °F
Malolactic fermentation:	Partially carried out
Length of aging before bottling:	8 months

PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: VSPT Wine Group
 Winemaker: Viviana Navarrete
 Total acreage under vine: 716
 Estate founded: 1997
 Winery production: 1,146,000 Bottles
 Region: Leyda Valley
 Country: Chile

