



Bob's Notes

Wine: 2011 Mueller Chardonnay, Russian River Valley, "LB"

Production: 211 cases

Fermentation: Aged in 100% French oak, 100% ML fermentation

General Notes: The 2011 vintage "LB" utilizes the rare Wente clone chardonnay fruit from Kent Rosenblum's Lone Oak Vineyard in the heart of the Russian River Valley. Grapes are harvested in the cool of early morning into small 30 pound picking boxes. Grape clusters are pressed whole, the juice settled for 48 hours, then transferred into French oak barrels for fermentation. Three yeast strains were used and wine aged on yeast lees until bottling.

Tasting Notes: Sparkling medium yellow/gold in color, this wine explodes with bright, clear tropical fruit aromas (think pineapple!). Full in body and generous in flavor, this wine glides softly with beautifully balanced natural acidity. Mango, pineapple, pear and apple flavors dance harmoniously on the palette in this enormously enjoyable wine. The finish; long and crisp with a touch of oak. Enjoyable today or cellar for an additional 2-4 years for added complexity.

Technical Data:

Harvest Date: 9/03/11

Harvest Brix: 24.4

ph at harvest: 3.3

ph at bottling: 3.4

Total acid at bottling: 0.60

Alcohol by volume: 14.6%