



# LAFOND WINERY & VINEYARDS

## SRH CHARDONNAY 2019

### APPELLATION:

#### SANTA RITA HILLS

The Santa Rita Hills is a small appellation at the western end of the Santa Ynez Valley that has gained national recognition for its Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

The Valley runs west to east, opening a gap in the coastal range, allowing the late afternoon ocean fog to roll in where it lingers until early morning. The surrounding hills trap the fog before it is dissipated in the wider Santa Ynez Valley.

The fog cools the vines from the day's summer heat and it is this combination of warm days and cool nights that gives the wine its complexity as well as providing acidity to give it structure.

### HARVEST DATE:

Late August to September

### BOTTLING DATE:

August 2018

### WINEMAKING:

A combination of 500L puncheons and 228L barrels. 19% New French & Hungarian Oak.

8 different lots from 6 clones provide a multi-faceted expression of SRH Chardonnay. 100% barrel fermented with 100% malolactic fermentation embellishes the intense fruit from SRH.

### TASTING NOTES:

A blend of two neighboring vineyards, this wine showcases the Santa Rita Hills ripe, concentrated Chardonnay for which the AVA is known. Its vibrant flavors - from the Lafond Vineyard and HillTop Ranch - are reflected in this wine.

### TECHNICAL NOTES:

Alcohol: 14.6% | pH: 3.43

Total Acid: .68 | Sugar: Dry

Harvest Sugar: 23.2 - 25.1 Brix

UPC# 0 87951 41401 8  
12pk | 750ml

**GRAPE VARIETAL:**  
100% Chardonnay

**VINEYARDS:**  
52% Lafond  
48% Hilltop Ranch  
- Santa Rita Hills

