

2016 Walter Hansel 'Estate' product-pdf - Chardonnay | Russian River Valley - 91pts Wine Advocate | 91pts Vinous | Superstar!

Why We're Drinking It

91pts Wine Advocate: *The 2016 Chardonnay Estate offers up notes of white peaches, apple pie and green guava with hints of lightly browned toast and allspice. Medium to full-bodied, it is beautifully silky in the mouth with great vivacity and a long, pure citrus and stone-fruit layered finish. 942 cases produced.*

91pts Vinous: *The 2016 Chardonnay The Estate Vineyard is pretty, understated and polished, with all of the signatures that make these wines so distinctive. Medium in body and gracious, with lovely aromatic lift, the 2016 is impeccably balanced from start to finish.*

This is an enviable winery run by Stephen Hansel with exceptionally high-quality Chardonnays and Pinot Noirs that he sells at modest prices, which speaks to his humility and commitment to serious wine consumers. There are more than 80 acres of estate, so it is not small, split evenly between Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. He breaks the cuvées down by their vineyard terroir/site.

--Robert Parker

VARIETAL

Chardonnay

ALCOHOL

14.50

SIZE

750ml

BLEND

Chardonnay
