



2016
ESTATE
CHARDONNAY

92 pts

The 2016 Chardonnay Estate offers up aromas of lime cordial, vanilla pod and pastry cream that are marked but not dominated by a framing of new wood. On the palate, the wine is medium-bodied, delicately textural and racy, with good concentration, lovely natural balance and a flavorful finish. If this delicious Chardonnay's new oak component synergies with it more completely, it will score even higher.



2016
TERRACES
CHARDONNAY

93 pts

The 2016 Chardonnay Terraces from Eden Rift Vineyards, while hails from a calcareous and windswept hillside, opens in the glass with crisp aromas of citrus oil, hazelnut cream, Asian pear and blossom. On the palate, the wine is medium-bodied, pure and incisive, with more tension and less up-front texture than the Estate Chardonnay, and a more complete integration of wine and wood (25% of which was new). The finish is long and stony. Watch this unwind with a few years of bottle age.



2016
ESTATE
PINOT NOIR

93 pts

The 2016 Estate Pinot Noir unfurls in the glass with a bouquet of wild plum, red cherry, dried flowers and smoky herbs that reveals lovely incipient complexity. On the palate, the wine is medium-bodied, silky and supple, with an expansive attack, excellent mid-palate depth, and a lingering, tangy finish. This really impresses for its textural seamlessness and stylistic maturity.

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2016
RESERVE
PINOT NOIR

94 pts

The 2016 Pinot Noir Reserve reveals even more aromatic depth than the regular cuvée, notes of cherry, plum and pomegranate mingling with notions of wood smoke, rich soil and burnt sage. On the palate, the wine is medium to full-bodied and multidimensional, with silky structuring tannins, expansive attack and considerable mid-palate amplitude. The finish is long and tangy. While the tannins are as beautifully refined as those found in the regular bottling, the Pinot Noir Reserve's additional latent potential make a few years of cellaring advisable.



2016
DICKINSON BLOCK
ZINFANDEL

93 pts

The 2016 Zinfandel Dixon Block is excellent, offering up a classy bouquet of wild plums, licorice, rich spice and smoke. On the palate, the wine is medium to full-bodied, velvety and elegant, with an ample core of succulent fruit, beautifully refined structuring tannins, and a long, sapid finish. Derived from a 0.7-acre plot planted in 1906, this is a Zinfandel of rare elegance, characterful and full of flavor. What's more, it represents excellent value.