

DERBÈS WINES

2004 RUSSIAN RIVER CHARDONNAY

Vineyards:

Heintz Vineyards

Appellation: Russian River

Clones: 4

Rootstock: St George

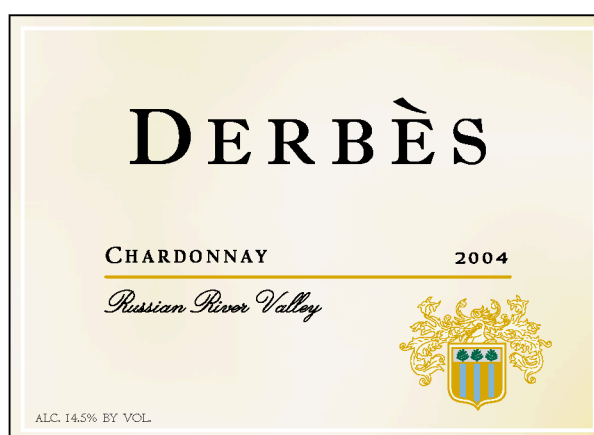
Yield: 2T /acre

Harvest Date: September 18th, 2004

Harvest Brix: 24.5

TA: 0.801 %

pH: 3.27



Winemaking :

Hand harvested, sorted, whole cluster pressed. Settled and rack to barrels for fermentation. Inoculated with Champagne yeasts. Barrel aged sur lies for 11 months with batonnage in 100% French oak (30% new) until bouquet and flavors reached full balance. Partially malolactic fermented. Bottled unfinned on August 10th, 2005. 167 cases made.

Winemaker tasting notes:

This wine shows aromatics of tropical fruits, floral notes, spices, guava. The palate is zesty, juicy with some hints of vanilla, butterscotch, coconut, and kumquat, with a good acidity and a long finish. Enjoy alone or with food.

