

LA CREMA®



YAMHILL-CARLTON 2014 CHARDONNAY

Intense. Polished. Lush.

“LEMON zest, HONEYCOMB and pear scents. Golden delicious APPLE, wet stone and white PEACH flavors. VIBRANT, spicy, rich and lush.”

ELIZABETH GRANT-DOUGLAS,
WINEMAKER



THE STATS:

Appellation: Yamhill-Carlton
Composition: 100% Chardonnay
Type of Oak: 90% French; 15% new
Time in Barrel: 9 months
Alcohol: 14.2%
T.A.: 0.55g / 100mL
pH: 3.27
R.S.: 0.2g / 100mL

Our original name, La Crema Vinera, means “best of the vine,” setting the standard for all we do since 1979. Our family-owned and operated winery focuses exclusively on cool-climate appellations, passionate in our belief that they make uniquely expressive and elegant wines.

Oregon’s Willamette Valley is no exception. We thoroughly appreciate, and are fully committed to, all that makes this region so revered — its beauty, its passion, its wine.

A REMARKABLE PLACE

Polished yet earthy. Pastoral yet challenging. There’s sophistication, wildness and majesty in the landscape as well as the ethos. This is Yamhill-Carlton, where coastal rain, gently rolling hills and some of the oldest sedimentary soils in the Willamette Valley make for an intense — and intensely delicious — wine.

***It’s one of the world’s best cool-climate appellations.
It’s a place for La Crema.***

EXCEPTIONAL GRAPES

A cool climate means grapes spend more time on the vine. That allows a deeper, more dramatic spectrum of flavors and aromas to develop. And that creates decidedly rich and layered wines.

Willamette’s climate in 2014 was truly exceptional, with warmer than average temperatures, little rain and generous yields. Fruit was harvested September 21st through 26th — handpicked during the night and cool days followed by gentle, whole-cluster pressing.

ARTISAN WINEMAKING

Our boutique, hands-on techniques continued into the winery.

The juice was racked after a night of settling, then 90 percent barrel-fermented. The remainder went into stainless steel to maintain fresh fruit flavors and crisp acidity. Full malolactic fermentation, sur-lie aging and hand-stirring enhanced the wine’s natural richness.

The first La Crema Chardonnay sourced entirely from Gran Moraine? Unquestionably unique. The site, our estate vineyard in Yamhill-Carlton, is renowned for expressive, elegant wines — and every rich, vibrant sip proves the reputation worthy.