



TINHORN CREEK

NATURALLY SOUTH OKANAGAN

Chardonnay 2012



VARIETY

100% Chardonnay

REGION

Oliver, BC (Okanagan Valley)

VINEYARD

Diamondback Vineyard (Black Sage)
Tinhorn Creek Vineyard (Golden Mile)

Aspect: South-West

Vine Orientation: North-South

Soil: Diamondback Vineyard (Sand)
Tinhorn Creek (Sandy gravel)

Vine Age: 16 years

VINTAGE 2012

Picking Date: October 11, 2012

Growing Conditions: Warm growing season, cool fall. Low rainfall.

Vineyard Operations: Early shoot thinning, Green bunch removal.

VINIFICATION

15% of this wine was fermented in new French Oak barrels for 2 months. Afterwards that 15% was transferred to stainless steel barrels and lees stirred twice a week. The remaining portion was cold fermented in stainless tanks. 100% went through malolactic fermentation.

CELLARING

Drink within 2-3 years.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Viticulturist: Andrew Moon

Winemaker: Sandra Oldfield

Bottled: March 2013

Brix at Harvest: 23.3

Alcohol: 13.9%

Residual Sugar: <2.0 g/L

Titrateable Acidity: 7.20 g/L

pH: 3.65

PRODUCT INFO

Retail Price: \$18.99

Production: 1457 cases

CSPC: +530691

Release Date: July 1, 2013

Availability:

BC: Winery, Private Wine Shops, Restaurants

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Awards

BRONZE - Wine Align Canadian Wine Awards, 2013

Accolades

90 points - John Schriener

The wine begins with refreshing aromas of citrus and green apples, leading onto flavours of apples and honeydew melons. The barrel fermenting has contributed to a generous texture. This has all the fruit-forward pluses of unoaked Chardonnay with the added complexity of very subtle and ever so lightly applied oak. The finish lingers.

89 points - The Wine Diva

A perfect example of where modern Chardonnay is going - fresh and clean, not bogged down in heavily toasted oak and confected flavours. Sweet churned fresh butter, yellow apples, pears, sweet spice and vanilla with Satsuma oranges. It has an appealingly creamy weight with spicy, buttery tones leading to citrusy orange flavours on the finish. Fresh and wonderfully balanced.

88 points - Beppi Crosariol

Medium-full-bodied, Tinhorn's 2012 chardonnay delivers fresh peach, apple and tropical-fruit nuances, with a soft centre and delicately spicy-smoky essence on the finish.

87 points - Anthony Gismondi

Refreshing nose of peach, honey, grapefruit rind with subtle notes of vanilla and butter. The palate is fresh and round with spicy, floral, fruit cocktail/grapefruit rind and leesy, buttery apple skin flavours. The finish is well balanced. A good lobster or prawn wine.

87 points - Rick Van Sickle

This is a softer style than I remember but still some nice aromatics of sweet peach, apples and underlying citrus and cream notes. The fruits on the palate are joined by soft creamy-spicy notes that are well integrated. A wine to enjoy now.

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