

BECKON

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CHARDONNAY CENTRAL COAST | CALIFORNIA

As rugged as the settlers themselves, the Central Coast region of Monterey and San Luis Obispo offer a rare combination of stunning beauty and great extremes. The valley itself is unique in its geological formation, in that the vineyards are not blocked by north and south running mountains, but are directly open to cool ocean influences. This allows the coastal fog to roll in, deeply saturating the inland valley during the night with a lasting chill until morning. That fog is dispersed daily by clear sunny days that expose the vineyards with undiluted sunshine. Thanks to this maritime rush of cooling air, the growing season is unusually long, allowing for that delicate, signature balance of sweetness and acidity that characterize grapes grown in this area. In fact, the conditions more closely resemble those of Mediterranean vineyards than those typically found in California. Within the heart of the Central Coast vineyards lie the origins of our Beckon wines. Grown from sustainably nurtured vines, the grapes may also be pressed whole cluster and then aged in oak barrels for a smoother finish, greater texture and brilliant clarity. The resulting wine “Beckons” with a complexity, aroma and depth of flavor that rivals classic wine of European origins.

Beckon is a call to experience the flavor of this remarkable intersection of California history, ideal terroir and a profound respect for sustainable cultivation.

This Chardonnay shows a brilliant yellow tone with green edges, combined with bright rich crème brûlée, fuji apple and tropical notes. On the palate there’s a flavorful tropical mix of fruit and green apples initially, followed by nice rich creaminess.

 ROBERT BLUE, WINEMAKER

Varietals: 100% Chardonnay

Aging: 40% American, 60% French oak for 7 months

Appellations: 96% Monterey, 4% San Luis Obispo, Central Coast California

Date of Harvest: October 3th, 2016 at 24.5 Brix

Alcohol 13.9%

Residual Sugar 3.90 g/L

pH 3.50