

**VINTAGE**  
2007

**APPELLATION**  
Russian River Valley  
"Vineyard Select"

**BLEND**  
100% Chardonnay

**COOPERAGE**  
40% new Burgundian French oak,  
60% older French oak



**TASTING NOTES**

Ferrari-Carano's 2007 Dominique Chardonnay ("Dominique" is Rhonda Carano's middle name) is terroir-driven with full, rich aromas and flavors of pear, fig, spiced apple and quince, interspersed with nutmeg, caramel, brown sugar, vanilla crème, and a lingering, toasty finish. Bright acidity with layers of intense flavors characterizes this beautiful wine.

**VINTAGE NOTES**

The fruit for this wine comes from a single vineyard alongside a creek in one of the coolest regions of the Russian River Valley, an area known for producing some of the world's best Chardonnays. A mild, late spring and summer ensured that the mature vines had a healthy canopy for the grapes, which provided the perfect combination of sunlight and heat penetrating the grape clusters. These conditions allowed the grapes to reach full maturity in both flavor and structure. Harvest was completed mid-October.

**WINEMAKER NOTES**

A single vineyard site with four Chardonnay clones comprises our 2007 Dominique Chardonnay. Each lot for this wine is hand harvested, whole cluster pressed and within 24 hours moved directly to barrels. Aged separately by lot, the wine undergoes 75 percent malolactic fermentation and is sur lie aged and stirred weekly for 10 months until blending, and then further aged in neutral barrels until bottling five months later.

**FOOD PAIRINGS**

The Dominique Chardonnay's ripe fruit component complements a variety of vegetable, seafood and poultry entrees, as well as light pasta and rice dishes.

**WINE INFORMATION**

Bottled:	February 2009
Released:	April 2009
Cases Produced:	276
Alcohol:	14.5%
pH:	3.42
TA:	0.67



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