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VINEYARDS

*The Russian River Valley Original*

## 2009 O.F.S. CHARDONNAY

### IN THE VINEYARD

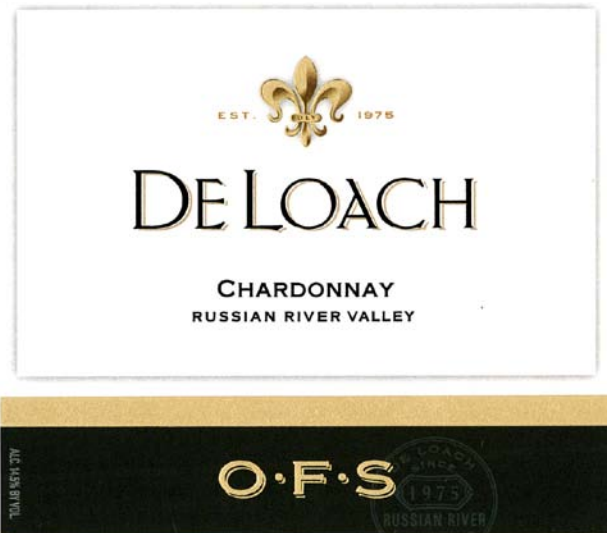
The 2009 vintage of Our Finest Selection Chardonnay is a partnership amongst the best vineyards within the Russian River Valley. The Ritchie and Balleto vineyards, located in the heart of the Russian River Valley, contribute richness and balance with their barrel-aging fermentation. Fruit from the Boriolo, Hawk Hill, and Windmill vineyards yield respective power, nerve and elegance.

### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Hand-harvested grapes are sorted, then whole-cluster pressed to stainless steel tanks for overnight settling. The juice is then racked to barrels for fermentation by native yeasts. Malolactic conversion proceeds naturally during aging, while lees-stirring contributes to enhanced mouthfeel. Barrels are hand-selected to assemble the final blend one month prior to bottling.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2009 OFS Chardonnay is a beautifully balanced wine, with complex flavors that reflect the unique *terroir* of the individual vineyards. Notes of toasted marshmallow, nougat, pineapple and apricot blend with a hint of butterscotch on a full and spreading palate. The wine is medium-to-full bodied, with a nice, soft mouth feel and a long, lingering flavor profile. This Chardonnay has strong enough shoulders to pair well with heavy sauces and succulent lobster, yet is elegant enough to complement a lighter fare.



**APPELLATION:**  
Russian River Valley

**ALCOHOL:**  
14.5% by volume

**pH:**  
3.45

**TITRATABLE ACIDITY:**  
6.7 g/L

**MALOLACTIC CONVERSION:**  
100%

**AGED IN OAK:**  
100%  
~30% New Oak~

**ORIGIN OF OAK:**  
French

**MONTHS IN BARREL:**  
11

**PRODUCTION:**  
525 Cases

**SUGGESTED RETAIL:**  
\$30

*Jean Charles Boisset*

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET  
Proprietor

*Brian Maloney*

BRIAN MALONEY  
Winemaker