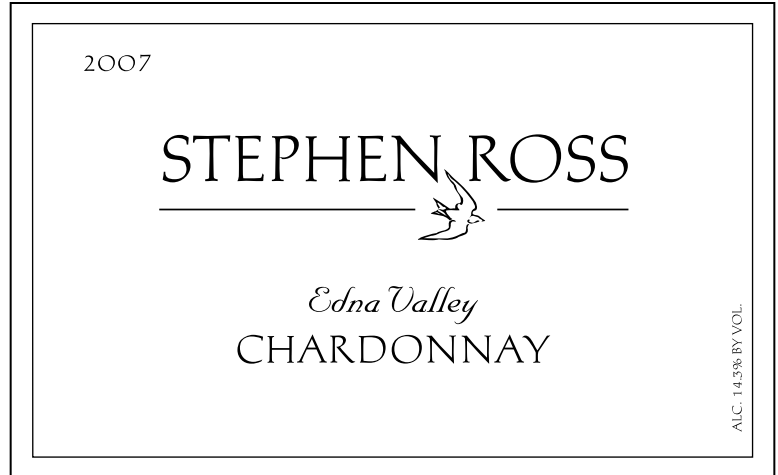


2007
EDNA VALLEY
CHARDONNAY



- Harvested by hand on September 20 & October 9 (Edna Ranch), October 3 (Wolff) and October 12 (Chorro Creek), 2007
- Average grape analysis – 24.2° Brix, 7.6 g/l T.A., 3.32 pH
- Vineyards: 75% Edna Ranch, 19% Wolff Vineyard, 5% Chorro Creek, 1% Oliver's Vineyard
- Whole-cluster pressed, juice chilled and settled overnight
- Clarified juice racked to barrels, and inoculated for fermentation.
- 100% barrel fermented and 100% malolactic fermentation
- 25% new French oak, a blend of *Sirugue*, *François Frères* and 75% used barrels
- Fined with organic milk and non-filtered
- Wine analysis – 14.3% alcohol, 6.20 T.A., 3.52 pH
- Bottled on July 31, 2008

The Edna Valley is located on the south Central Coast of California a few miles southeast of the town of San Luis Obispo. The valley spans in an east-west orientation and is open to the Pacific Ocean to the west. The climate is strongly influenced by regular summertime afternoon cool breezes from the ocean. Also of significance, the Edna Valley lies at 34 degrees latitude and therefore receives a lot of intense sunlight from a directly overhead sun.

This appellation Chardonnay has traditionally been a blend of two or three Edna Valley vineyards in varying amounts; this year Edna Ranch made up 75% of the blend, followed by Wolff Vineyards at 19% and a small amount of Chorro Creek Vineyard and Oliver's Vineyard. The 2007 season was remarkable for its consistently cool temperatures following a sub-average rainfall winter. Crop yields were slightly below average around 2.5 to 3.0 tons per acre.

This wine was grown primarily at two hilly sites in the Edna Valley, which are southwest facing and consist of clay loam soils mixed with small white calcareous stones. The wine's aroma is generous with notes of nutmeg, allspice, apples, citrus and toasty hazelnut. It is accented with spice from the oak barrels and perfume from the *sur lies* aging. The textures are smooth and creamy with refreshing acidity.

1,266 cases of 750 mls bottles produced and 116 cases of 375 mls bottles produced