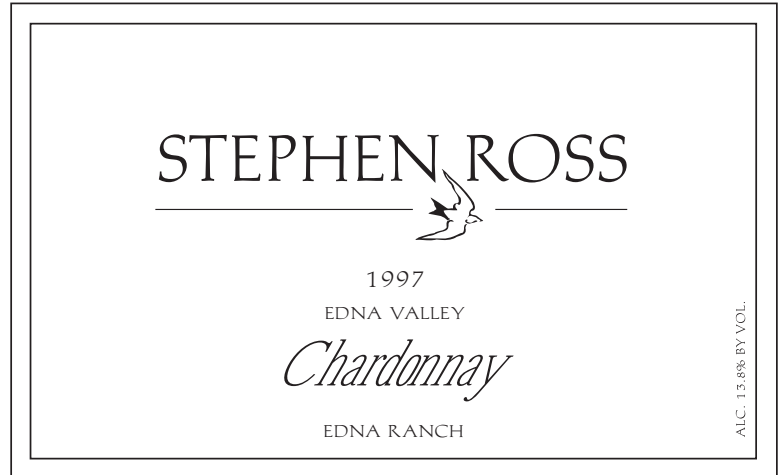


1997

EDNA VALLEY

CHARDONNAY

EDNA RANCH



- Harvested by Hand on September 18, 1997
- Whole Cluster Pressed, Juice Chilled and Settled Overnight
- Clarified Juice racked to Barrels, and inoculated for Fermentation.
- 100% Barrel Fermented and 100% Malolactic Fermentation
- 50% New French Oak, a blend of Tonnellerie Sirugue, François Frères, and Damy, and 50% once-used barrels
- Fined lightly with Isinglass and Bentonite
- Bottled unfiltered on August 25, 1998

The Edna Ranch Chardonnay is grown on a hillside vineyard at the relatively warm, southern end of the Edna Valley. Through careful handling of this wine in the cellar, and a light fining prior to bottling, this Chardonnay shows wonderful fruit and oak aromas. This wine is unfiltered and captures the fruit aromas from the vineyard, the nutty aromas from the sur lies aging, and the sweet vanilla from the French oak barrels.

177 cases produced.