



HILL FAMILY
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2017 Carly's Cuvee Chardonnay

Production : 494 cases

Composition : 95% Chardonnay and 5% Semillon

Appellation: 94% Napa Valley and 6% Sonoma-Carneros

Vineyards: Watson, Napa Golf Associates, Mahoney, Cold Creek and Windy Flats

Elevation: Mostly rolling hills, Watson and Mahoney are hillside

Cooperage: 8 months in French oak barrels, 40% new (Remond, Nadalier Perle Blanche, Francois Freres), then 2 months in stainless steel tanks.

Alcohol: 13.9%, TA 0.55, pH 3.61

Bottling date: August 20, 2018

Release date: Spring 2021

Release price: \$37.00

The 2017 Carly's Cuvee Chardonnay is made without the malolactic fermentation, and with only light oak influence. This crisp multi-layered Chardonnay will please people looking for a wine that enhances food and holds its own out on the patio. A small amount of Semillon from Windy Flats Vineyard added body and texture. Carly Hill is the daughter of Doug and Darci Hill, and her contributions to Hill Family Estate are honored with this beautiful wine. Recently married, she is now working as a nutritionist in San Diego, and helps with the family business.

Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

The 2017 Carly's Cuvee Chardonnay exudes aromas of tropical fruit, vanilla, pineapple and mango. The wine opens to green crisp apple and has a lovely palate – silky and lively with those rich tropical fruit flavors, Meyer lemon, and a round balanced finish.