

## 2009 Calera Chardonnay Mt Harlan

<b>RATING:</b>	96 points
<b>PRODUCER:</b>	Calera
<b>FROM:</b>	Mount Harlan San Benito County, Central Coast, California, USA
<b>VARIETY:</b>	Chardonnay
<b>DRINK:</b>	2010-2017
<b>SOURCE:</b>	WA, #190 Aug 2010

The brilliant 2009 Chardonnay Mt. Harlan, the finest Chardonnay Calera has made in many years, was produced from 1.65 tons of fruit per acre, and spent 10 months in French oak barrels. A chalky component (from the limestone soils of this appellation) is intermixed with quince, white currant, nectarine, orange blossom, and lemon butter notes in an incredibly complex, crystalline style. Full-bodied with stunning concentration, length, and texture, this fabulous Chardonnay could easily pass for a grand cru white Burgundy in a blind tasting. Enjoy it over the next 5-7 years.

– Robert Parker

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