

The Wine Advocate Tasting Notes

DECEMBER 2011

2010 Calera Chardonnay

RATING: 88 points

PRODUCER: Calera

FROM: Central Coast,

California, USA

VARIETY: Chardonnay

DRINK: 2011-2015

SOURCE: WA, #196

Aug 2011

The 2010 Chardonnay Central Coast is sourced from a variety of vineyard sites across central California. There is nothing fancy here, just a glorious glass of Chardonnay bursting with varietal expression and plenty of style. Gentle notes of spiciness from the French oak (10% new) linger on the finish. *This is without question one of the very finest values in California Chardonnay.* – Antonio Galloni

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2010 CHARDONNAY CENTRAL COAST

Calera's 2010 Central Coast Chardonnay is made from grapes grown by the following selected vineyards in California's Central Coast Viticultural Area:

San YsidroVineyard	Santa Clara County	21%
Laetitia Vineyard	San Luis Obispo County	17%
Talley Vineyard	San Luis Obispo County	17%
Pedregal Vineyard	San Benito County	16%
Lone Oak Vineyard	Monterey County	9%
Cienega Valley Vineyard	San Benito County	8%
Kellner Vineyard	Santa Clara County	8%
Besson Vineyard	Santa Clara County	4%

After hand harvesting, the whole grape clusters were pressed and the juice was moved by gravity to Calera's barrel cellar.

Fermentation in barrels by native yeasts was followed by complete malolactic fermentation. The wine was aged without racking in French oak barrels, 10% new, for ten months. The separate vineyard lots were combined prior to bottling.

ALC. BY VOL. 14.4% 750ML

