

DOMAINE SERENE

ETOILE VINEYARD CHARDONNAY

200 CASES PRODUCED

v. 2004

TASTING NOTES - *Tony Rynders, Winemaker*

Enticing aromas of yellow apple, spicy pear, lemon grass, vanilla and caramelized sugar. The palate shows wonderfully intense flavors of meyer lemon, citrus flower, mineral, slight pineapple and quince with good structure and a long, lively finish.

VINEYARD

The Etoile Vineyard, situated high on the west slope on the Evenstad Estate in the Dundee Hills, is planted to Dijon clones 95 and 76 with elevation ranging from 740-780 feet.

VINTAGE NOTES

2004 will be known as the "Tale of Two Vintages". After a wild and very dry winter, bud-break began in mid-March. A cool and wet Spring resulted in small and very loose clusters. There was a wide spread in the completion of bloom which led to early and late season fruit. The cool fall weather allowed for excellent flavor development and hang time.

AGING

18 months sur lees with frequent battonage (lees stirring) in French oak barrels - none of which were new.

CROP YIELD

2.0 tons/acre.



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