



Big Basin Vineyards

Chardonnay "Coastview Vineyard" 2013

Monterey, Central Coast, California

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Score: 92 Points

My favorite of the two Chardonnays is the 2013 Chardonnay Coastview Vineyard. From a cool site in Monterey County, it gives up crisp orchard fruits, citrus, blossom, white flowers and hints of brioche (it spent 15 months in French oak) to go with a medium-bodied, fresh, classically styled feel on the palate. Energetic, vibrant and almost racy with bright acidity, it was bottled unfinned and unfiltered. There's only 200 cases, but it's superb and well worth tracking down.- JD

