



2012 Monterey County Chardonnay

Appellation:	Monterey County
Soil:	Shaly Loam
Elevation:	150ft-350ft
Exposure:	Various
Vineyard:	Various
First TRW Vintage:	1997
Alcohol:	14.1%
Cooperage:	100% French Oak
Harvested:	September, 2012

2013 CHARDONNAY MONTEREY COUNTY



WINEMAKER NOTES

Medium straw hue. Well focused aromas of fig, ripe apple, orange, apricot, and butterscotch in this youthful Chardonnay. These characters continue their abundance on the palate while being balanced by a light dose of oak and some richness from lees contact. This wine is very open and accessible to immediate enjoyment. Drink now through 2016.

~Bill Brosseau, Winemaker

APPELLATION

For Testarossa's Cuvée Los Gatos releases, Rob and Diana Jensen and Director of Winemaking Bill Brosseau select and combine vineyard lots from highly regarded growing districts. For this bottling, the grapes were sourced from Monterey County. In particular, a majority of the fruit came from vineyards in the northern end of the Santa Lucia Highlands appellation - one of the state's best known regions for world-class Chardonnay. The Highlands close proximity to Monterey Bay makes for a very cool climate, with one of California's longest growing seasons. The resulting slow, gentle ripening allows for full flavor development on the vine.

ACCOLADES

2013 Cuvée Los Gatos Chardonnay
Monterey County
Not Yet Reviewed

2012 Cuvée Los Gatos Chardonnay
Monterey County
92 Pts, *Wine Enthusiast*

2011 Cuvée Los Gatos Chardonnay
Monterey County
90 Pts, *Wine Enthusiast*

WINERY

Testarossa (Italian for "red head") was the nickname given Rob Jensen as a young university student in Italy. Rob and Diana Jensen started Testarossa in their garage in 1993 with just twenty-five cases of wine. Today, the label has grown to national prominence among collectors by cultivating long-term partnerships with passionate winegrowers and vineyards.



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