



# Buena Vista

Est. 1857 | CARNEROS

RAMAL VINEYARD

CHARDONNAY | 2004

CLONE 17RY (CARNEROS)

“What a wonderfully complex, satisfying wine. It combines the steely acidity the vineyard regularly contributes with massively ripe tropical fruit flavors to produce a real stunner. Rich in mango custard, key lime pie, pineapple sorbet, vanilla pudding and smoky oak, it has a crispness that makes the flavors sing. Best in its youth, and should hold for a good five years.” **EDITOR’S CHOICE**

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CHARDONNAY | 2004

DIJON CLONES (CARNEROS)

“It’s fun to compare this to the winery’s Ramal Vineyard bottling. This is tighter still, a young, crisp, minerally Chard, racy and elegant in pineapple, mango and buttered toast, with the high acidity associated with this vineyard. It’s a fine, complex wine now, and should hold for at least five years, possibly longer.”

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PINOT NOIR | 2004

DIJON CLONES (CARNEROS)

“Here’s a delicious wine, rich and forward in flavor. These Dijon clones produce exceptionally clean, bright fruit, and this Pinot bursts with cherry, pomegranate, rhubarb and cola flavors. It’s fully dry, with subtle complexities from oak. Great now and for the next five years, but don’t hold it so long that it loses its fruity youthfulness.”

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PINOT NOIR | 2004

SWAN SELECTION (CARNEROS)

Swan is the old, pre-Dijon clonal selection used by so many wineries. The wine has a youthful character, a little sharp right now, but there’s brilliant promise. Crisp in acids, fairly tannic, but loaded with dramatically ripe cherry and pomegranate fruit, this is one to lay down. Best after 2008, but fine now with a rich duck presentation.

**CELLAR SELECTION**

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