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## 2005 Napa Valley Chardonnay *Carly's Cuvee*

Production: 830 cases

Composition: 100% Chardonnay Vineyards: Southern Napa Valley

Appellation: Napa Valley Elevation: Valley Floor

Cooperage: 10 months in French oak barrels

Alcohol: 14.23%, TA 0.71, pH 3.43, 3.73 g/l RS, 1.7 g/l Malic Acid

The 2005 Hill Family Napa Valley Chardonnay 'Carly's Cuvee' is a blend of Chardonnay. The grapes were sourced from select vineyards located around the southern end of the Napa Valley. Though all the lots were very good wines, the resulting blend is greater than its parts – a really exciting wine.

## Winemaker Alison Doran's Tasting notes:

This wine has a lovely nose of vanilla cream and caramel apple fruit. The palate is lively and graceful with full-flavored pear and a bit of pineapple filling the midpalate. The finish is a very clean and lingering for a while without being bitter.