



HILL FAMILY  
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## 2014 “Carly’s Cuvee” Chardonnay

**Production:** 3,191 cases

**Composition:** 100% Chardonnay

**Appellation:** 100% Napa Valley

**Elevation:** Valley floor

**Cooperage:** 10 months in French oak barrels

**Alcohol:** 14.4%, TA 0.60, pH 3.46

**Bottled:** August 2015

**Release date:** Spring 2016

**Release price:** \$35.00

The 2014 Carly’s Cuvee was made from a selection of Chardonnay vineyards in the American Canyon area of Napa Valley (Watson and Clarke) and from a gravelly area of Zinfandel Lane near St Helena. Made in a partial-malolactic style, with only light oak influence, this lovely multi-layered Chardonnay will please people looking for a wine that enhances food and holds its own out on the patio. Carly Hill is the daughter of Doug and Darci Hill, and her contributions to Hill Family Estate are honored with this beautiful wine. She is now a nutritionist in San Diego, and helps with the family business.

### **Winemaker Alison Doran’s tasting notes:**

The 2014 Chardonnay opens with light tropical aromas alongside melon, juicy citrus and a layer of toasted oak and mineral. The silky entry introduces bright melon and citrus notes complementary to the nose, then progresses to a creamy, structured midpalate. The long, mouthwatering finish has bright acidity with lingering citrus, toasted nuts and wet stone flavors.