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## LAURA'S

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY • CHARDONNAY

2007

### VINEYARD CHARACTER

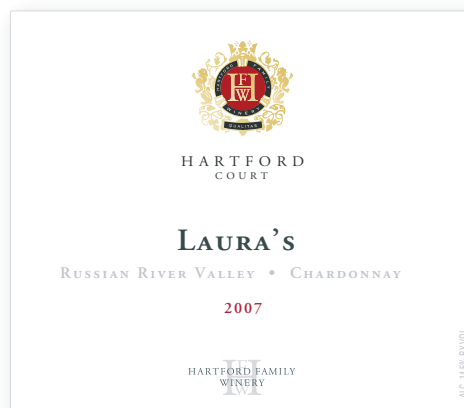
Laura's Chardonnay represents an exceptional fusion of distinct elements from select vineyards in the Russian River Valley. The vineyards selected to make this wine are planted to "old clone" or "heirloom clones" of Chardonnay that are not widely planted in California. The vines in these vineyards are among some of the earlier plantings in the Russian River Valley and are low yielding. Many of these heirloom, Old-Wente selections display a greater intensity, distinctive aroma, texture and flavor than typical, California Chardonnay. The grapes selected for the Laura's Chardonnay reflect a remarkable balance of power and elegance.

### TASTING NOTES

The wine offers great weight and depth with spiced pears, ginger, honeysuckle and orange blossom aromas and flavors. Barrel fermentation and aging in French oak has added hints of fresh nutmeg and vanilla bean. Minerals permeate the lingering, complex finish of the wine.

### WINE STATISTICS

Oak:	100% French oak, 60% new
Time in oak:	13 months
Alcohol:	14.5%
TA:	5.9g/L
pH:	3.52
Yeasts:	Native and cultured
Cases produced:	790



### HISTORIC ACCLAIM

- 2007: 'Outstanding' 90-92/100, *Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate*  
"...crisp, white peach, white currant, and quince aromas accompanied by strong mineral undertones...  
4-6 years of aging potential or even longer." December 2008
- 2001: 'Outstanding' 94/100, *Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate*  
"The 2001 Chardonnay Laura's offers a stunning array of tropical fruits along with hints of butterscotch, orange marmalade, and spring flowers. Full, rich and extremely pure, with a multilayered texture, this is another brilliant Chardonnay." December 2003