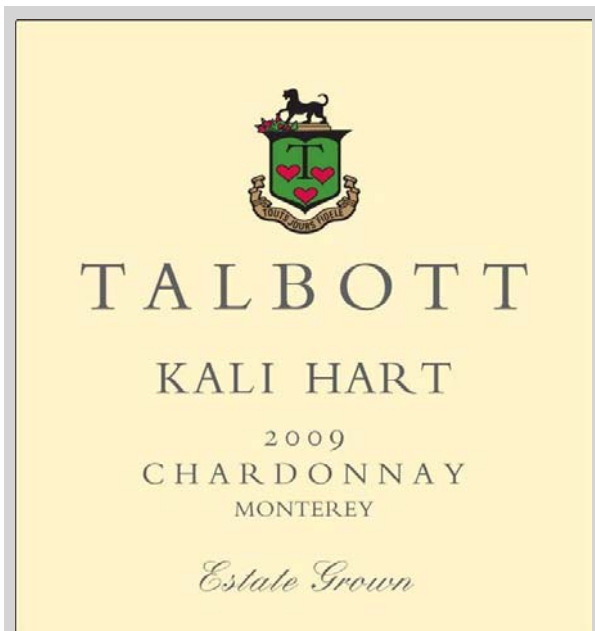




2009 TALBOTT CHARDONNAY KALI HART



Our Talbott Chardonnay, Kali Hart is crafted to be bright and appealing upon release, with the lush, cool-climate fruit purity that the Monterey AVA is known for. In keeping with the Talbott style, the wine also has restrained oak and excellent acid, overlaid by richness of flavor and a pleasing mouthfeel. Kali Hart Chardonnay is named after Robb Talbott's youngest daughter.

WINEMAKING

- 100% estate-grown Chardonnay
- Alcohol 14.9%, pH 3.52 and TA .61
- Destemmed and pressed lightly
- Placed in stainless fermentors
- 10% racked to French oak barrels
- Aged six months prior to bottling

VINEYARDS

The Sleepy Hollow Vineyard is situated on 585 acres of benchland in the Santa Lucia Highlands, 13 miles south of Monterey. The well-drained vineyard features sparse soil comprised of sand, gravel, and granite, which reduces yields and creates rich, concentrated flavors in the grapes. With morning sunlight from its east-northeast exposure, the vineyard lives much of the time in the cool fog and wind from the Pacific Ocean. With a long, cool growing season, the grapes develop character, intensity, and depth of flavor for which the vineyard has become known.

TASTING NOTES

The 2009 Talbott Chardonnay, Kali Hart is light straw in color with a youthful greenish hue and excellent clarity. The rich, inviting nose shows bright tropical fruit notes that continue on the palate, where flavors of pineapple and honeydew melon are complemented by refreshing acidity. A lush and generous midpalate leads to a clean, focused finish, with citrus elements of lemon and tangerine supported by mineral notes.

