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## EDEN RIFT

### 2018 ESTATE CHARDONNAY, CIENEGA VALLEY

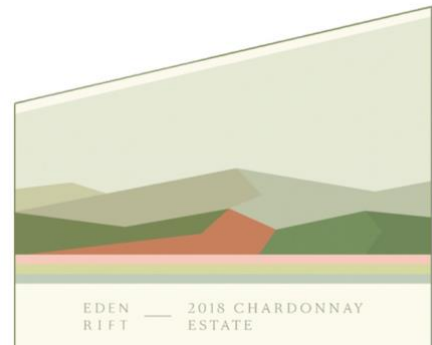
#### TASTING NOTES

Our Estate Chardonnay is made up of clones 76, 4 old Wente, and Calera clone. These vines are mostly cane pruned and all our Chardonnay is hand harvested. Calera clone in particular comes from the coldest section of our vineyard which provides a unique Minerality and acidity.

Bright notes of Bosc pear, lemon zest, orange cream white flowers, and mineral tension, braced with enough French oak to give focus; vanilla bean custard and lemon meringue pie. Lees stirring gives richness, but we held off on excessive work, we wanted the flavors of great French triple creme chees, without treading into over-oaked butter bombs."

#### TECHNICAL DATA

VINTNERS	Christian Pillsbury
WINEMAKER	Cory Waller
VARIETAL	100% Chardonnay
APPELLATION	Cienega Valley
PRODUCTION	1692 Cases
ALCOHOL	13.9%
AGING	11 months in French Oak barrels 18% new oak



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#### BACKGROUND

Under Vine Since 1849 – Eden Rift is perhaps the oldest, continually producing estate vineyard in California. A remote, pacific refuge located under the shadow of the Gavilan Mountain Range, the estate rests on the San Andreas Fault and is part of the Cienega Valley AVA. Only 20 Miles from the Pacific Ocean, this site benefits from an ideal, temperate maritime climate as well as the coveted calcareous soils requisite in the cultivation of bright minerally Chardonnay.