

American Grand Cru – Wine Enthusiast



### 2007 Willamette Valley Chardonnay

**Retail Price: \$35 per bottle**

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<b>Pinot Noir Clones:</b>	Dijon 76, 548
<b>Harvest Dates:</b>	October 6, 12, 2007
<b>Quantity Produced:</b>	325 cases of 750 ml
<b>Date Bottled:</b>	August 6, 2008
<b>Fermentation Notes:</b>	90% ML complete
<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.2%
<b>Elevage (Aging):</b>	15% New Oak, 15% Stainless, 70% Neutral Wood
<b>Vineyard Source:</b>	Shea Vineyard: Blocks 4, 31

#### **Tasting Notes:**

This is a classic Chardonnay with aromas of quince and ripe Bosc pear, balanced with a hint of flinty minerality and spice. It is a classic cool climate Chardonnay with a rich texture combined with bright acidity and great length. This wine will pair exceptionally well with food.

#### **Reviews and Ratings:**

**Robert Parker's Wine Advocate: Rating: 90.** "Shea grows a small amount of Chardonnay which he keeps for his own label. Light gold-colored, it is a crisp, restrained, Cote de Beaune-like effort with aromas of toast, mineral and assorted white fruits. Elegant on the pallet, vibrant and flavorful, it should drink well over the next 5 years."

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