



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



APPELLATIONS:

40% Monterey County
30% Sonoma County
30% Mendocino County

ALCOHOL: 13.5% by volume

pH: 3.49

TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 6.00 g/L

LIMITED AVAILABILITY: Not available in retail stores. Sold only through Boisset Wine Living and available in select restaurants.

2013 LA REINE CHARDONNAY

IN THE VINEYARD

At DeLoach Vineyards we strive to produce distinctive wines that highlight unique terroirs in a socially and environmentally responsible way, practicing sustainable viticulture and minimally intrusive winemaking.

Our 2013 vintage is a blend from three world-renowned appellations. Monterey County grapes give our full bodied La Reine Chardonnay its dense fruit flavors, Sonoma County contributes to its luscious mouthfeel and texture, while Mendocino County adds brightness and a long, lingering finish.

ABOUT THE VINTAGE

The 2013 vintage across California was one of the earliest harvested vintages in years. A warm spring led to early bud break and created the perfect environment for flowering and fruit set. With warm days and cool nights, grape growers were able to maintain ideal acid levels with optimum, bright fruit flavors.

TASTING NOTES

The La Reine Chardonnay showcases luxurious aromas of lemon zest, vanilla, apple, pear, white pepper, nutmeg, and coriander. On the palate, this wine is full bodied with balanced acidity and displays a long, bright finish of citrus, pear, and a touch of vanilla and graham cracker. The perfect pairing for cream sauce pastas or grilled chicken.

Jean Charles Boisset

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET
Proprietor

Brian Maloney

BRIAN MALONEY
Winemaker

The Fleur-de-Lys at



The Legend of Clovis:

On his way to battle, King Clovis of France was searching in vain for a way to cross a wide, deep river with his men and horses. Frightened by the King's soldiers, a deer jumped across the river along a row of rocks, leading the army to the other side, where they were greeted by hillsides of wild yellow irises. Clovis picked one and placed it in his hat as a symbol of future victory. Thereafter, as legend would have it, the kings of France have used the fleur-de-lys as their emblem.



Ancient tapestries depicting King Clovis. Note that in all panels he is featured with a blue robe with golden fleurs-de-lys. From left: Clovis in battle; The coronation of Clovis; Sending messengers with his blessing.

The Fleur-de-Lys at DeLoach Vineyards:

DeLoach Vineyards used the fleur-de-lys on its debut release, a 1975 Estate Bottled Russian River Zinfandel and was adopted for use on all the labels in 1979. The symbol was suggested by label designer and wine writer Gene Tartt as a way to emphasize the French heritage of the DeLoach name and the winery's specialization in Burgundian winemaking techniques and the Pinot Noir and Chardonnay varietals. The DeLoach surname is French for "from Loches," a small village in the Loire Valley near Vouvray. When Boisset America, a Burgundian wine supplier, purchased DeLoach Vineyards in 2003, the French link between the fleur-de-lys, the DeLoach name and Burgundy became even stronger. Today, the fleur-de-lys is one of the most important symbols in the winery and can be seen on each of the DeLoach Vineyards labels.

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