



PATZ & HALL

## 2006 HYDE VINEYARD—CARNEROS CHARDONNAY

**Vineyard Character:** Scents of orange peel and orange blossom, flavors of fresh green apple, orange marmalade and ginger. This single vineyard Chardonnay is comprised of a blend of Larry Hyde's unique selections of Hyde-Wente and Robert Young clones.

**Tasting Notes:** Profoundly consistent from vintage to vintage, the 2006 bottling of our HYDE VINEYARD Carneros Chardonnay offers all the lemon cream, orange blossom and crème brûlée flavors that have come to define this wine, but with even more rich density and minerality than the previous vintage. With restrained oak, refreshing acidity and an appealing roasted hazelnut quality, the 2006 HYDE VINEYARD Carneros Chardonnay continues the tradition of great wines from this world-class vineyard.

**Winemaking:**

100% Chardonnay fruit  
Whole cluster pressed  
100% indigenous yeast fermentation (wild)  
*Sur lie* aged with weekly stirring  
100% malo-lactic fermentation in barrel  
40% new Burgundian French oak barrels  
Bottled without filtration

**Release Date: February, 2008**

**Cases produced: 2,690**

### THE PATZ & HALL FAMILY OF WINEGROWERS

*Larry Hyde and Family - Hyde Vineyard - Carneros, Napa Valley*

*Hyde Vineyard* has justifiably become one of the superstar vineyards in Carneros. Through many years of dedicated research, planting and winemaking, Larry Hyde has developed two of the most important grape selections in California: Hyde-Wente Chardonnay and Hyde-Calera Pinot Noir. Both are noted for extremely low yields, primarily due to the very small berry size within each cluster. The Chardonnay from Hyde is perhaps the most sought-after fruit in the pantheon of great California vineyards. The Hyde-Wente selection used for our wine is planted on the best soils at Hyde: sandy, clay loam, very low vigor and extremely well drained, lowering the yields even further than typical for this small-berried clone.

**James Hall**  
Winemaker