

Wine Spectator

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California

PATZ & HALL

Chardonnay Sonoma Valley Durell Vineyard 2004

93 points | \$40 | 2676 cases made

Enticing aromas of cedar and sandalwood lead to a rich, unctuous, concentrated core of Asian pear, hazelnut, fig and a hint of citrus. This broad-shouldered Chardonnay will benefit from short-term cellaring, as the finish is long, intense and layered. Best from 2007 through 2011. —
J.L.

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Chardonnay Carneros Hyde Vineyard 2004

92 points | \$50 | 1478 cases made

Fragrant floral aromas, with firm, taut hazelnut, spice, green apple and lemon drop flavors that are rich yet elegant, deftly balanced and long and lingering on the finish. Drink now through 2009. —*J.L.*