



## Kimmel Vineyards 2009 Chardonnay

POTTER VALLEY, MENDOCINO COUNTY

*Our Passions . . . Great Wines, Family, Friends and the Land*

<b>Vintage:</b>	2009	<b>Brix:</b>	26
<b>Varietal:</b>	100% Chardonnay	<b>pH:</b>	3.54
<b>Appellation:</b>	Mendocino County	<b>TA:</b>	0.57g/100mls
<b>Harvest Date:</b>	October 2, 2009	<b>Alc.:</b>	14.8%
<b>Bottle Date:</b>	August 26, 2010	<b>Winemaker:</b>	Bruce Regalia
<b>Cases Produced:</b>	380		

8 tons of fruit were hand-picked in October 2009 from selected rows in our Middle Block. The grapes were whole cluster pressed and cold settled prior to racking and barrel aging. New and used French oak barrels were utilized, but unlike previous years, very little wine underwent malolactic fermentation for use in the final blend. Bottled August 26, 2010 after over 10 months in barrels.

### **A Passion for Premium Wine Terroir**

Spanning four generations, Kimmel Vineyards has been a dream for our family since planting our first grapes in 1986. The ranch produces over 40 acres of premium winegrapes, and we save the cream of every crop for our own label. Located against the west foothills of Potter Valley in Mendocino County, our vineyards are planted at an elevation of 1,000 ft. The combination of excellent soils, cool afternoon breezes and hands-on canopy management produces consistently high quality grapes.

### **A Winemaker Passionate About His Art**

Renowned winemaker Bruce Regalia has produced over 26 vintages and was the founding winemaker at Goldeneye in 1996 with Dan Duckhorn.

*"A big, juicy, but elegantly restrained nose leaps out of the glass with white peach, green apple, bosch pear, lime zest and bergamot orange....The finish lingers extensively offering tropical notes, lime, and a viscous texture that invites repeated sips to divine its mysteries." Jeff Lefevere*

*"I found myself holding the wine in my mouth for minutes to experience the different taste combinations. The battles between the flavors made for constant change and lingered in my mouth long after I had swallowed the last of the liquid." Ranny Kellogg*

