

Hyde de Villaine (HdV)

CRITICAL ACCLAIM 2009 CHARDONNAY Hyde Vineyard

Carneros, Napa Valley

The Wine Advocate

94 POINTS

"All the best elements of the vintage and house style come together in HdV's 2009 Chardonnay Hyde Vineyard. The fruit is a bit richer, riper and more voluptuous than in most HdV wines, which serves to balance the cool, vibrant style the estate favors. The 2009 impresses for its length, persistence and spherical finish. This is a great showing from HdV. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2024."

— Antonio Galloni, December 2012

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar 92 points

"Slightly hazy pale yellow. Stone fruits, smoky minerality and brown spices on the nose, complicated by a floral element. Dense, concentrated and rich, with harmonious peachy acidity giving punch to the toast and powder stone flavors. Very tactile, energetic wine with a dusty, long, slowly building finish and excellent back-end lift. I like the combination of fruit and soil tones here. This should age well."

— Stephen Tanzer, May 12, 2013

Anthony Dias Blue: The Tasting Panel

94 POINTS

"Deep gold color; elegant and creamy with a firm core of bright acidity; smooth, bright and fresh with finesse and lovely Burgundian style; long and sensual — a complete package."

— Anthony Dias Blue, August 2013

Vinography: A Wine Blog Overall Score: around 9.5/10

"Light gold in the glass, this wine smells of cold cream and meyer lemon zest, wet stones and a hint of piney resin. In the mouth the wine has a bright lemony crispness, with fantastic acidity, a tart lemon zest and wet slate quality with a sourish note that brings you back wanting more. Hints of vanilla and sourdough toast linger through the long and slightly savory finish. Outstanding. 14.2% alcohol. 1,916 cases produced."

— Alder Yarrow, September 4, 2012

