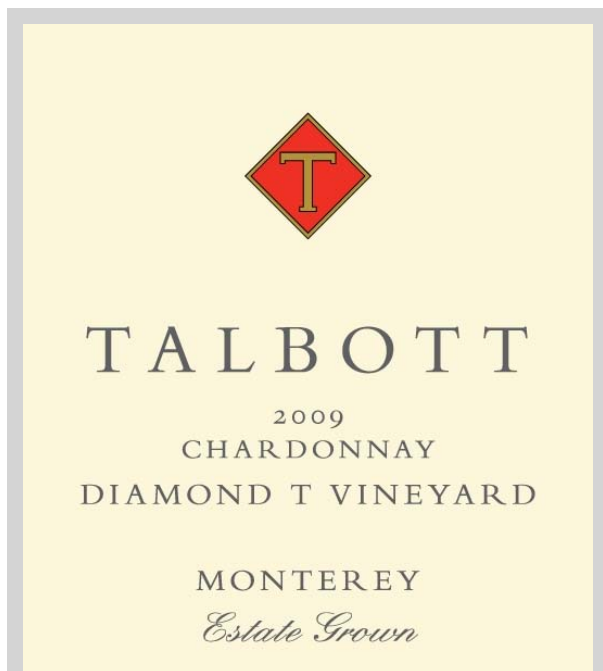




2009 TALBOTT CHARDONNAY DIAMOND T VINEYARD



Talbott Chardonnay, Diamond T Vineyard is made using a selection of the finest estate fruit from our Diamond T Vineyard. Over the years, this cool-climate Chardonnay has become known for its power and rich flavors of tropical fruit, citrus and minerals.

WINEMAKING

- 100% estate-grown Chardonnay, Alcohol 14.8%, pH 3.36 TA .76
- Light press directly to French oak barrels
- Inoculated with cultured yeast in barrel
- Barrel-aged 12 months sur lie
- Bottle-aged six months prior to release

VINEYARDS

Diamond T Vineyard is a testimony to Robb Talbott's determination to make the finest possible wines, regardless of the cost or effort required. Personally planted in 1982 by Robb, this 14-acre vineyard grows in almost soil-free chalky shale on a 1,200-foot mountaintop. Due to these challenging growing conditions, crop yields are extremely low at Diamond T. Located eight miles from Carmel Bay, Diamond T has a southern exposure that benefits from cool ocean fog, both in the morning and the evening. This moderating marine influence leads to an extended growing season. As a result, the grapes from Diamond T are intensely flavorful. Diamond T Vineyard is farmed with a focus on sustainable agricultural methods.

TASTING NOTES

The 2009 Talbott Chardonnay, Diamond T displays tropical aromas of pineapple and kiwi, as well as layers of toasted hazelnut, citrus and minerals. The tropical elements are repeated on the palate, along with Pippin apple and vanilla bean flavors that lead to a long finish highlighting Meyer lemon and minerality.

