

# SEXTANT 2011

## SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS CHARDONNAY



**APPELLATION:** Santa Lucia Highlands, CA

**WINEMAKING:** Fruit from Sarmento Vineyards in the prestigious Santa Lucia Highlands appellation of Monterey County. Barrel fermented and aged sur lie for 10 months in 30% new American Oak barrels. Lees were stirred weekly for the first 2 months of aging to create it's creamy texture.

**TASTING NOTES:** Wine that touts the site-specific growing conditions are prime objectives of the winemaker's craft. Because the Santa Lucia Highlands has proven to be such a sought after appellation, Sextant Wines understands the importance of displaying its qualities. The initial impressions include exquisite touches of pineapple, pears, and grapefruits. Tinges of lemon peels and kiwi slices reflect the subtle bounce of acidity. Silky texture and exceptionally balanced structure are segue ways to an elegant finish. This well-crafted Chardonnay has a wispy finish that stretches and bends gracefully like a vine in the wind.

**TECHNICAL NOTES:**

Malolactic Fermentation - 100%

Total Acidity - .64g

pH - 3.69

Residual Sugar - .45

Alcohol - 14.5%

**BOTTLED:** September 13, 2012

*A bold, full flavored Chardonnay*



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