



2005 Baileyana Estate - Edna Valley CHARDONNAY

Baileyana's History

Baileyana Winery was founded over 20 years ago by Catharine Niven. Located in the Edna Valley in the heart of San Luis Obispo County, our inspiration continues to build on Catharine's passion and her mantra, "be the best you can be in whatever you pursue." Her husband, Jack, introduced her to the wine industry in the early 1970's via their move to the Edna Valley. Pioneering planting of the first winegrapes in this area, they founded Paragon Vineyards. Jack focused on the large-scale business while Catharine busied herself with her own smaller project; a 3½ acre parcel in their front yard. She went at it with passionate detail, just as with any of her other fascinations. Once she developed outstanding grapes to work with, the natural next step was to turn them into equally stellar wine. Baileyana reflects the marriage of 30 years of vineyard know-how with the winemaking passion of our winemaker, Christian Roguenant.

Appellation & the 2005 Growing Season

Our 2005 Chardonnay is made entirely from our estate-grown grapes. Located at the western end of the Edna Valley, these vineyards experience a long, cool growing season, year in and year out. The extended time on the vine entices the grapes to develop intense, complex, and extraordinary varietal flavors. The 2005 vintage culminated in an extremely cool September, allowing the grapes to ripen at much lower brix levels, both in terms of phenolics and flavor. The result is finished wine with full, ripe flavors, but without higher alcohol; very Burgundian.

Winemaker, Christian Roguenant's Comments:

"The flavor profile of this wine is consistent from vintage to vintage; a Baileyana standard. Even though 2005 was unusually cool towards the end, the riper flavors balance well with the lower alcohol. It is filled with mineral qualities and tropical characteristics. A little buttery, soft, rich and round, it finishes clean and crisp."

Baileyana and Firepeak Vineyard Facts & Figures

- **Founded** in 1991 by Catharine Niven whose husband Jack pioneered the planting of grapes in the Edna Valley in the early 1970's.
- **Winemaker, Christian Roguenant:** Born and educated in Burgundy. Has made wine on 5 continents.
- **Firepeak Vineyard:** Planted to Pinot Noir (5 clones), Chardonnay (3 clones), and Syrah (3 clones). Total acreage of 192 acres.
- **Soils:** Nicknamed "Dirt of the Devil" - clay loam, rocky marine sediment, and volcanic remnants.
- **The Edna Valley:** Located in San Luis Obispo. Established as an AVA in 1982.
- **Winery:** Built in 1999 to Christian Roguenant's specifications. High tech in design, yet old world tradition is the foundation of our winemaking practices.



Vineyard Source:	100% Estate, Firepeak Vineyard Paragon Vineyard
Clonal Make-up:	96,76, and 4
Harvest Date:	9/17/05 — 9/30/05
Avg. Brix at Harvest:	25.2
Yeast Strains:	M2, Epernay, 2 Prisse de Mousse and some Native
Fermentation:	100% Barrel
Cooperage Used:	Remond, Damy, Seguin Moreau
Barrel Regime:	22% New French Oak, 78% Older French Oak
Barrel Aging:	7 months Sur-Lies
% ML:	20%
Alcohol:	13.9%
Acid:	6.62 gms/L
pH @ Bottling:	3.62
Bottling Date:	June 20, 2006
Cases Produced:	2,700
Suggested Retail:	\$18.00

