

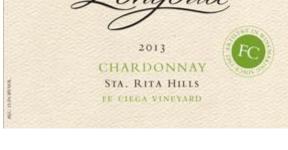


# 2013 FE CIEGA VINEYARD CHARDONNAY ★★★+

The Fe Ciega is a first release. It is subtle and fine in character (pear, pineapple, apple, lime, honey), full bodied, and crisp and very long on the finish; warrants modest aging. Crisp and elegant in style. Aged 10 months in French oak barrels, 18% new. 66 cases.

# 2013 CUVÉE DIANA CHARDONNAY ★★★+

Cuvée Diana is excellent, in a full, elegant style. It is subtle but rich in flavor (pineapple, grapefruit, guava, oak), crisp and long on the palate, and very persistent on the finish. Warrants modest aging. Aged 11 months in French oak barrels, partially new. 188 cases.



### 2014 ALBARIÑO, CLOVER CREEK VINEYARD $\star \star \star \star$

Screw cap. Excellent: a crisp, medium full bodied Albariño with elegant character (lime, honeysuckle, apricot), firm acidity, and a long finish. Warrants a few months of aging. Unwooded. 254 cases.

#### 2012 LOVELY RITA PINOT NOIR, $\star \star \star \star$

A firm, youthful Pinot Noir that has intense fruitiness (cherry, herbs, pepper), light oakiness, and good balance. It is long and lightly tannic on the finish; warrants modest aging. Aged 16 months in French oak barrels, 16% new. 480 cases.

#### 2013 LA ENCANTADA VINEYARD PINOT NOIR $\star \star \star \star$

Longoria produces excellent, structured Pinot Noirs. The La Encantada is an elegantly flavored, full bodied wine that is crisp, long, and lightly oaked on the palate, with a firm, persistent finish. In aroma/flavor, it tastes of cherry, strawberry, red currant, rosehips, toast, and oak. 100 cases.

# 2011 FE CIEGA VINEYARD PINOT NOIR $\star \star \star \star \star$ +

The 2011 Fe Ciega is a fuller wine; a fairly rich Pinot Noir with good depth of fruit, light tannin, and evident oak. It is firm and long on the finish, and tastes of cherry, plum, red currant, rosehips, herbs, clove, toast, and spicy oak. 3 day cold soak. Aged 14 months in French oak barrels, 30% new. 360 cases.

### 2012 TEMPRANILLO, SANTA YNEZ VALLEY $\star \star \star \star$

Very distinctive Tempranillo, especially with its American oak character. It is full bodied and complex in flavor; a wine with plum, dried fruit, tobacco, coconut, and oak aromas/flavors. Long finish. Can be aged a bit. 5% Merlot, 5% Syrah. Aged 20 months in American oak barrels, 40% new. 232 cases.

Maximum rating 5 stars.