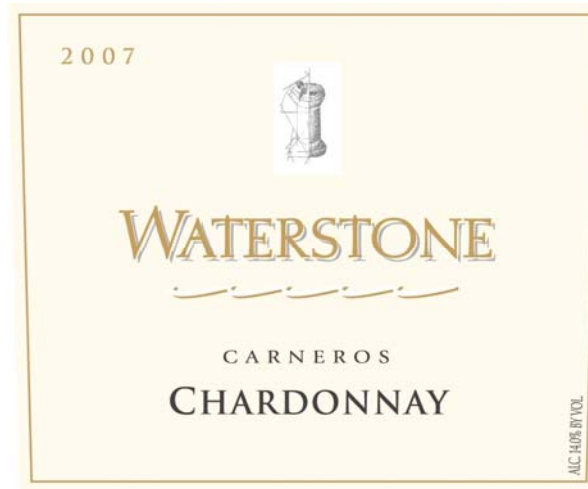


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2007 Waterstone Carneros Chardonnay

This wine offers a somewhat opulent apricot– and peach-tinged chardonnay aroma with just the right amount of oak and flavors to match.

It's a big wine that somehow avoids the grotesqueries so common to California wines of this mass.

I recommend it, especially to those who want their chardonnays big and bold but not out of kilter, a testament to the Carneros microclimate's possibilities.

- Jon Christensen