

Wine & Spirits

Year's Best US Chardonnay

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2019 Napa Valley Unoaked Chardonnay (Best Buy) The Hendry family grows grapes where the hills rise from Carneros at the base of Mt. Veeder, their estate centered northwest of the city of Napa. This wine comes from two blocks of stony soils planted in 1996, the fruit fermented in stainless steel with no malolactic conversion. “It tastes like a bite into a late-fall apple that still has some tart in it,” said Daniel Osman of the Dream Away Lodge in Becket, Mass. Delivering rich, round fruit and freshness, this is a sapid chardonnay with flavor depth. —*Reviewed by Joshua Greene.*

