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OAK LEAF VINEYARDS CHARDONNAY - NV



This is the second wine from Oak Leaf Vineyards (Ripon, CA) that I sampled. Aimed to compete with the TWO BUCK CHUCKS of the world, this \$2 - \$3 Chardonnay is made from California grapes and has an alcohol content of 12.5%.

This wine won a gold medal at the Florida State Fair. Oak Leaf also produces a Merlot, Pinot Grigio/Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon and White Zinfandel. Available at Wal-Marts that sell wine.

TASTING NOTES:

Light gold color with very clean aromas and flavors of apple, pineapple, pear and oak. Medium to light bodied with a nice crispness. Smooth, pleasant and enough fruit to keep the oak in check.

SCORE & RECOMMENDATION:

85+ PTS

This is a very good Chardonnay for \$2 - \$3. I'm surprised by the quality here given the price. Not going to give you a ton of complexity but solid and serviceable. A good drinking Chardonnay that is actually better than a lot of expensive Chards that drown their wine in oak. There are some really nice fruit flavors. For the price this is very easy wine to recommend.

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