

# Cycles GLADIATOR



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## 2017 Chardonnay

**Appellation:** California (45% Paso Robles, 45% Edna Valley, 10% Russian River Valley)

**Varietal:** Chardonnay

**Vintage:** 2017

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

**TA:** 6.9 g/L

**pH:** 3.5

**Oak Regimen:** 85% Stainless Steel, 15% French Barrels

**Winemaker Notes:** I harvested at low sugar and high acid with a focus on flavors and balance. I backed way off on the malolactic fermentation to protect the bright fruit flavors. I'm very happy with this wine, hope you are too.

**Tasting Notes:** Aromas of peach and apricot with notes of bosc pear and apple and a hint of toasted oak. Strong flavors of green apples, tropical fruits and marzipan. Extended lees aging adds a rich mouthfeel but the acid carries the day. Pair with fettuccine alfredo, Atlantic Sole, and fried chicken.



**Award winning** winemaker Adam LaZarre started Cycles Gladiator in 2005. LaZarre's philosophy: "I love producing really great wines that taste two to three times the price & knowing that every night someone is enjoying my wine."



**14 & Counting**  
Since 2005, Adam's Cycles Gladiator wines have been rated Best Buy Fourteen times by WE

## Quotes from Matt Kettmann

*Central and South Coast Editor, Wine Enthusiast*

**November 2015:** "This twist-top wine by Adam Lazarre is popular for good reason..."

**July 2016:** "There's excitement about the return of this rather iconic bargain brand to the market, and this bottling packs the goods..."

**November 2016:** "This wine and the entire brand often punch above their weight..."

