

GISMONDI on WINE

**93/100 Signorello Chardonnay Vieilles Vignes 2004**

Napa Valley, California, United States

This is another enticing, attractive sophisticated chardonnay from Signorello. Spicy lees, muted vanilla, and tropical fruit tones mark the nose. The textures are rich yet elegant with fine acidity. Again, the oak is being handled very well and less malolactic (30 per cent) allows the fruit to shine. Look for creamy spicy pear apple fruit flecked with orange rind. This is delicious chardonnay well above the Napa norm.