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RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
2023 CHARDONNAY



HAILING FROM THE ACCLAIMED RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY AVA OF SONOMA COUNTY, OUR 2023 RESERVE RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY CHARDONNAY IS ROUND AND FULL. AROMAS OF PEACH, MELON, PEAR, AND A SWEET SYMPHONY OF HONEYSUCKLE, BROWN SUGAR AND WAFFLE CONE FILL THE NOSE. THE PALATE DISPLAYS A BEAUTIFUL BLEND OF CARAMEL, SPICE, MINERALITY AND TOASTED OAK. SERVE WITH CRAB CAKES, BUTTERED LOBSTER ROLLS, OR CHICKEN PICCATA.

VINTAGE

The winter of 2022-2023 saw record rainfall, ending years of drought conditions throughout Sonoma County. With below average temperatures in winter and spring, budbreak was significantly delayed. Continued cool weather through summer led to harvest beginning 2 weeks later than average. This gave the grapes ample time to hang on the vine which helped develop full flavors while maintaining vibrant acidity.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

Our Chardonnay hails from the acclaimed Russian River Valley AVA of Sonoma County. Known for its cool, foggy climate that sweeps in from the Pacific Ocean and its alluvial soils, this river valley is an idyllic site for growing Chardonnay. After harvest, the grapes were whole-cluster pressed and transferred to tank where it was fermented with native yeast and then racked to French oak barrels. After 9 months in barrel (30% new) with regular lees stirring, the wine was bottled.

COMPOSITION & ANALYSIS

Appellation: Russian River Valley

Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Cooperage: Aged 9 months in French oak, 30% new

TA: 5.8 g/L | pH: 3.61 | Alc: 14.8% | Production: 87 cases