

estate bottled 2019 Syrah

We have a special love for Syrah at Chalk Hill Estate. Our location in the Chalk Hill AVA in the warm end of the cool Russian River Valley is perfect for bringing out all the unique characteristics of this fabulous variety. Our Syrah is planted on a steep southwest-facing hillside, made up of rocks and volcanic soil. It's as close to the Rhône Valley as we get!

The 2019 harvest started 1-2 weeks later than usual. A wet winter and spring followed by persistent cool temperatures extended the growing season allowing the grapes to mature gradually. Vintners from around the state are praising the full flavors, fresh acidity and superb balance of this year's crop. This 2019 Syrah displays aromas of boysenberry jam, wild game and black tea. On the palate, indulgent flavors of blackberry, plum, black cherry, and dark chocolate delight the senses. This wine is bold, offering a beautifully inky color and layers of rich, dense characters melding seamlessly with silky tannins.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: October 19, 2019 Average Yields: 4.34 tons / Acre Average Brix at Harvest: 25.2°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

STAINLESS STEEL FERMENTATION WITH PUMPOVERS

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION

Cooperage: 100% French Oak, 50% NEW

Barrel Aging: 20 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 100% SYRAH
Bottling date: JULY 15, 2021

pH: 3.78 TA: 5.86 G/L Alcohol: 15.5%