

2019 Chardonnay

Russian River Valley



The Vineyard

Located between the towns of Graton and Forestville in Sonoma County, the Falcon Crest Vineyard was planted in 2002 to a heritage selection of Chardonnay from the famed Montrachet vineyard in France. With its proximity to the Pacific Ocean, the growing season of warm, sunny days followed by cool, foggy evenings allows for a slow and even ripening. The extremely small clusters and berries grown at this vineyard produce wines of remarkable flavor, texture, and age ability.

Tasting Notes

The 2019 Chardonnay announces itself with a textbook Russian River Valley nose, dominated by a floral component and informed by honey-suckle and orange blossom. Fruit notes of nectarine and lemon oil, complexities of hazelnut, and a kiss of reduction tie all the components together into an aromatic assault with laser beam like focus. Once in the mouth, uber-suave textures hug the palate delivering a sizzling array of Chablis-inspired flavors—green apples, nectarines, citrus peel, dandelion—propped up with an undeniable minerality which provides fabulous energy through the long finish.

Vinification

Harvest Dates: September 27, 2019
Vineyard: Falcon Crest Vineyard
Oak: 100% French; 50% new oak
Alc: 14.2%
PH: 3.40
TA: 5.4 g/L
Bottled: February 25, 2021

50 Cases produced | Released April 5, 2021