

2021 CHARDONNAY

*Russian River Valley
Sonoma County*



Meyer lemon preserves and grapefruit notes emerge from this energetic vintage. Medium bodied with a solid sense of minerality, this chardonnay opens up to layers of bright stone fruit and apple with great freshness and length.

VINIFICATION

Two different yeast strains were used to create more complex flavors with 50% of the Chardonnay barrel fermented in Damy French Oak barrels. 50% of the blend underwent malolactic fermentation.

VINEYARD LOCATION

This wine features two well known Russian River Valley vineyards for this wine: Hopkins River Ranches on Eastside Road; and Balletto's Spiderweb Ranch on Guerneville Road.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

In a year best described as a “cold start to a warm, fast finish,” this year’s crop was a little lighter due to a variety of water conservation efforts growers implemented this season to limit water use. Though the season was void of long, lingering heatwaves, grapes in warmer regions matured slightly earlier due to it being a lighter crop and grapes from the cooler region ripened at a more normal rate. The 2021 crop will be viewed as an excellent vintage.

VINTAGE INFO

1400 cases produced
Alcohol 14.1%

Harvested September 7-21, 2021
Bottled February 10, 2022

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