

2013 Chardonnay Campbell Ranch Vineyard Sonoma Coast



THE VINEYARD

Campbell Ranch is located in the extreme northern Sonoma Coast near the town of Annapolis, just five miles from the Pacific Ocean. The vineyard benefits from cool coastal winds and foggy mornings that clear to hot afternoons, providing excellent diurnal variation for ripening Chardonnay. The extremes in temperature are ideal for retaining acidity, while the phenolic ripeness and flavors flourish from the heat of the afternoon. Sojourn's Chardonnay block is planted to Old Wente clone, and comprises a mixture of young and old vines inter-planted, providing an array of flavors at harvest between citrus and tropical.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2013 growing season began early, with a warm and dry spring, and continued with moderate heat that allowed the Chardonnay to develop complex flavors at lower Brix levels. Dry weather in both winter and spring resulted in smaller berry sizes with high levels of concentration and detailed aromatics. In 2013, the grapes were harvested on September 20th, just before the rains. The harvest took place at night, and the grapes were pressed first thing in the morning. After settling overnight, this Chardonnay was barreled down to 20% new French oak, and was fermented in a chilled room to retain freshness.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% Chardonnay
- Pressed whole-cluster
- Fermented in French oak barrels
- 100% malolactic fermentation
- Native yeast
- 20% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered
- Bottled July 2014

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.1%
- pH: 3.67
- TA: 5.8 g/L
- Release date: Fall 2015
- Retail price: \$45
- 175 cases produced
- AVA: Sonoma Coast

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ABOUT THE WINERY

Based in the town of Sonoma, Sojourn Cellars is a highly acclaimed winery specializing in the production of artisan Pinot noir, Chardonnay, and Cabernet Sauvignon wines.

We source fruit from celebrated vineyards in both Sonoma and Napa Counties, and we help direct farming operations to assure that our grapes are produced using world-class growing techniques. We have consistently produced high-quality wines with a hands-off natural winemaking style that showcases the character and personality of individual vineyards.