



# 2013 Chardonnay Durell Vineyard - Sonoma Coast



## THE VINEYARD

The Sojourn Durell Vineyard Chardonnay is made from 100% Old Wente clone from two blocks of the famous Durell Vineyard. The Hill block was planted in the 90's and gives very low yields of small clusters with prominent hen and chick berries. These small bunches provide extraordinary flavors, complexity, and texture. The Barn block's young vines were planted in 2009 and they are still only producing small amounts of fruit with concentrated, lively, and exotic characteristics.

## 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. Both blocks were harvested on August 30, 2013, and delivered to the winery early in the morning. They were kept separate, whole-cluster pressed and barreled down into French oak barrels for fermentation after settling overnight. After 11 months in barrel, the lots were blended together proportionally to produce a balanced wine with rich aromas and smooth texture to show off the distinctive character of Durell Vineyard.

## FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% Chardonnay
- Pressed whole-cluster
- Fermented in French oak barrels
- 100% malolactic fermentation
- Native yeast
- 40% new French oak
- Bottled unfined
- Bottled September 2014

## FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.3%
- pH: 3.52
- TA: 6.0 g/L
- Release date: Fall 2015
- Retail price: \$48
- 325 cases produced
- AVA: Sonoma Coast

## TASTING SALON

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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.

**Craig Haserot**  
Proprietor

**Erich Bradley**  
Winemaker

**Randy Bennett**  
Associate Winemaker