



2013 Chardonnay

Sangiacomo Vineyard - Sonoma Coast



THE VINEYARD

The Sojourn Sangiacomo Vineyard Chardonnay is a combination of Old Wente clone from the Sangiacomo Vella Ranch and Clone 95 from the same Sangiacomo Roberts Road vineyard, known for the highly-rated Sojourn Sangiacomo Vineyard Pinot noirs. These vineyards are both located within the Sonoma Coast AVA, and are perfectly suited for growing Chardonnay, with cool climates and well-draining soils. The Old Wente clone selection of Chardonnay at Vella Ranch was planted in 1997, and is known to produce distinctively small clusters, low yields, and results in elegant complex wines. Clone 95 from Roberts Road, planted in 1998, adds minerality and vibrancy.

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 individual Sangiacomo vineyard components were harvested on separate nights and delivered to the winery early in the mornings. They were immediately whole-cluster pressed and barreled down into French oak barrels for fermentation after settling overnight. This Chardonnay was fermented slowly in a temperature-controlled cold room to retain bright aromatics and freshness.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% Chardonnay
- Pressed whole-cluster
- Fermented in French oak barrels
- 100% malolactic fermentation
- Native yeast
- 30% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered & unfiltered
- Bottled July 2014

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.1%
- pH: 3.65
- TA: 6.2 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2015
- Retail price: \$45
- 325 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.

Craig Haserot
Proprietor

Erich Bradley
Winemaker

Randy Bennett
Associate Winemaker