



# 2017 Chardonnay Sangiaco Vinyard - Sonoma Coast



## THE VINEYARD

The core of our Sojourn Sangiaco Vinyard Chardonnay is from the same vineyard source as the highly-acclaimed Sojourn Sangiaco Vinyard Pinot noir wines. This wine features a combination of Clone 95 Chardonnay from Sangiaco Roberts Road Vinyard and Old Wente Clone from Sangiaco Vella Ranch and Green Acres. The Roberts Road block, planted in 1998, provides minerality and vibrancy. The Old Wente Clone selections are known to produce distinctively small clusters, low yields, and result in elegant, complex wines that round out this blend. These ranches are perfectly suited for growing Chardonnay, with cool climates and well-draining soils.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2017 vintage endured tragic wildfires that were driven by 80 mph winds on October 8-9. The fires devastated Napa and Sonoma counties, destroyed more than 8,000 structures, took 44 lives and disrupted winery operations for several days. Fortunately, all of our Chardonnay grapes were picked prior to the fires and there was no impact to our 2017 Chardonnay wines. Balanced vines and temperature fluctuations resulted in layers of flavors and complexity in the wines. The overall high quality of the vintage is a blessing after such challenging events. In 2017, the individual Sangiaco vinyard 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 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
- Bottled August 2018

## FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.1%
- pH: 3.47
- TA: 6.7 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2019
- Retail price: \$45
- 400 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