



THE VINEYARDS

Our Sonoma Coast Chardonnay is a blend of unique lots from several distinct Sonoma Coast vineyard sites. Old Wente Clone from the Sangiacomo Vella and Green Acres ranches form a foundation of bright aromatics and balance. Clone 95 from the Sangiacomo Roberts Road vineyard adds minerality and length. Durell Vineyard Old Wente Clone Chardonnay from the historic Hill block adds a layer of rich fruit character and body. Clone 95 from Gap's Crown Vineyard rounds out the blend with citrus notes, focus and tension.

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. Each component in this blend was fermented separately in French oak barrels with 30% new oak. Lees were stirred regularly during the first three months of fermentation and aging. Malolactic fermentation was allowed to complete in barrel. After 10 months of aging, the components were blended together to create a winemaker's cuvée that is expressive of the cool climate, nuance, and balance of the Sonoma Coast appellation.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% Chardonnay
- Pressed whole-cluster
- Fermented in French oak barrels
- 80% malolactic fermentation
- Native yeast
- 30% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered
- Bottled August 2018

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.1%
- pH: 3.54
- TA: 6.4 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2019
- Retail price: \$38
- 625 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.