



2021 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 90s 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 younger vines were planted in 2009 and they are still only producing small amounts of fruit with concentrated, lively, and exotic characteristics.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2021 growing season offered optimal conditions in the Sonoma Coast to harvest grapes of exceptional quality. The air remained clear with no fires in Sonoma and pandemic lockdowns ended. Our spirits were lifted, and the grape harvest and wine quality benefited. Brief heat waves in August and September ripened the grapes to ideal maturity as the weather stayed dry until major rains arrived October 22, after our grapes were harvested. Yields were lower than average in 2021, with small berries and loose clusters creating wines of increased depth and concentration. In 2021, the Hill block really shined and brought depth and rich layers of stone fruit to the blend. The resulting wine offers intense flavors and rich texture on the palate with fresh acidity on the finish.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% Chardonnay
- Pressed whole-cluster
- Fermented in French oak barrels
- 70% malolactic fermentation
- Native yeast
- 40% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered
- Bottled August 2022

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.3%
- pH: 3.32
- TA: 6.1 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2023
- Retail price: \$54
- 400 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.

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