

2022 CHARDONNAY SONOMA COAST



THE VINEYARD Our Sonoma Coast Chardonnay is a blend of unique lots from several distinct Sonoma Coast vineyard sites. Old Wente Clone from the Sangiacomo Green Acres ranch forms 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 4 Chardonnay from Ueberroth Vineyard adds zest and focus. Clone 95 from Gap's Crown Vineyard rounds out the blend with citrus notes, focus and tension.

WINEMAKER NOTES A warm 2022 summer brought one of the earliest harvests on record in the Sonoma Coast, with a September heat wave influencing some picking decisions. Cooler pockets of the Sonoma Coast fared well through the heat and the resulting wines offer depth and finesse. Yields were miniscule, with many vineyards breaking records on the low side for cluster weights. The resulting wines have concentrated flavors with tension and length. All of our Chardonnay vineyards are in cooler locations and retained wonderful fresh acidity due to the early harvest timing of 2022. Each component was fermented separately in French oak barrels with 30% new oak. They were later blended to create a balanced wine with layers of texture and alluring aromatics.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING

100% Chardonnay Pressed whole-cluster Fermented in French oak barrels 65% malolactic fermentation Native yeast 30% new French oak Bottled unfined in August 2023

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

Alcohol: 14.1% pH: 3.45 TA: 6.1 g/L Release date: Spring 2024 Retail price: \$38 700 cases produced AVA: Sonoma Coast

TASTING SALON

141 E. Napa Street, Sonoma, CA 95476 707.938.7212 salon@sojourncellars.com sojourncellars.com **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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