



## 2022 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 yields of fruit with concentrated, lively, and exotic characteristics.

**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. 2022 yields from Durell Vineyard were particularly small with tiny clusters. The Barn block offered exceptional acidity to balance the rich fruit provided by the Hill block's miniscule berries. Flavors explode from the glass leading to a focused palate and lively finish.

### FERMENTATION & BOTTLING

100% Chardonnay  
Pressed whole-cluster  
Fermented in French oak barrels  
85% malolactic fermentation  
Native yeast  
40% new French oak  
Bottled unfined in August 2023

### FINISHED WINE DETAILS

Alcohol: 14.3%  
pH: 3.36  
TA: 6.0 g/L  
Release date: Summer 2024  
Retail price: \$59  
375 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.

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