

2022 Buehler Russian River Chardonnay

Our 2022 Russian River Chardonnay is born from two vineyards within the Russian River appellation: Wood Vineyard, located on River Rd and River Vineyard, located in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley on East Side Road. The floral, mineral, and lime aromas and steely structure of the River Vineyard are complemented by the peach and apricot aromas and more fleshy structure of the Wood Vineyard.

Our winemaking philosophy remains the same since we first introduced the Russian River Chardonnay in 1993: less intervention is better in dealing with a delicate variety like Chardonnay. Winemaking techniques including sur-lie aging, lees stirring, full malolactic fermentation, and the measured use of some new French oak are employed to bring you this delicious rendition from Sonoma's premier Chardonnay appellation.

The 2022 Chardonnay Harvest kicked off in high gear on Sept 7 as a heat spike around Labor Day weekend coaxed our chardonnay to full ripeness. Thankfully, night harvesting enabled our hand-picking crew to move through the vineyard at a good clip and deliver cool fruit to the winery.

Balance and proportion best describe the character of our 2022 Russian River Chardonnay; it displays abundant floral/ stone fruit aromas lightly accented by toasty, graham cracker sur-lie qualities. The mouth feel is creamy and full, but the natural acidity of the Russian River fruit carries this velvet textured package to a long, clean finish.

David Cronin
Winemaker

Brix at Harvest	23.6
TA	0.58 g/100 ml
pH	3.50
RS	0.04 g/100 ml
Alcohol	13.9 % vol
Production	8,500 cases
SRP	\$25

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