RED·CAR WEST SONOMA COAST

2019 SONOMA COAST

CHARDONNAY

► APPELLATION AND VINTAGE

We are fortunate to farm and produce Chardonnay from some of the most unique coastal locations in California, each distinctly different from one another. As a brand predicated on single vineyard bottlings, with each vintage our Sonoma Coast Chardonnay offers us an opportunity to color outside the lines. We do this through blending select clones and blocks from each of our three Chardonnay vineyards. Ample rainfall along the coast during the winter of 2018-2019 lent to healthy shoot and canopy growth throughout the growing season. Coupled with consistent weather throughout bud break, flowering, and fruit set, the 2019 vintage yielded a generous crop of excellent quality fruit. During harvest, our fruit was hand harvested and immediately whole cluster pressed upon arrival to the cellar. Resulting juice was fermented and aged on lees in French Oak barrels for 11 months before bottling. In the blend, character from our Old Wente selections in Fort-Ross Sea-View sites can be felt, expressing itself in beautiful yet subtle minerality. Mt Eden and Clone 5 selections from Zephyr Farms add fresh citrus, florals, and dense texture to the blend, concluding in a wine that showcases the typicity & terroir our region can offer.

► TASTE

Crushed oyster shells, citrus rind and melon

WHO WE ARE

In 2000 Red Car produced its first vintage, 50 cases of Syrah, in a Los Angeles garage. Now, twenty years later, under the direction of viticulturist, Greg Adams, and winemaker, Tanner Scheer, we farm five dramatic ridge-top vineyards in Occidental, Sebastopol, Freestone and Cazadero. This rugged terrain's soil and coastal influence provide perfect growing conditions for our hallmark style: perfumed aromatics, bright fruit, crisp texture and uplifting acidity. We are passionately committed to producing wines of purity and focus that express the authentic varietal character and terroir of our unique coastal vineyard sites. An early leader in the formation of the proposed West Sonoma Coast AVA, we are committed to conserving this unique region, our vineyards and our community.



SPECS

ALCOHOL	13.4%
AVA	Sonoma Coast
AVERAGE BRIX	22.4°
PRODUCTION	600 cases
TOTAL ACIDITY	7.1 g/L
FRENCH OAK	19% New, 81% Neutral
pH LEVEL	3.37
CLONES	Mt. Eden & Clone 5
BARREL AGING	10 Months
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