



RAMEY

Estate Chardonnay

WESTSIDE FARMS®

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

VINEYARD

Appellation	Russian River Valley
Site	Westside Farms, our 75 acre ranch, has been in use as farmland since the middle 1800s.
Soil	The soil here is Yolo silty loam, derived from sedimentary formation in alluvial fans.
Clone	This vintage was sourced from Block 4, which is planted to Clone 4.
Planted	Block 4 was planted in 2006 with twelve by eight foot spacing.

VINTAGE

Growing Season	2014 was another classic vintage, despite the third consecutive year of drought. A mild winter and spring triggered early bud break, while much-needed late spring rain alleviated water stress on the vines through summer. Summer temperatures were warm and steady, balanced by particularly cool mornings, which permitted even fruit development. Cooler weather in August further lengthened hang time, resulting in perfectly matured fruit with moderate sugar levels.
Harvest Date Brix	September 3 23.7°

WINEMAKING

Varietal Composition	100% Chardonnay
Fermentation	We whole-cluster press for phenolic delicacy. Native-yeast and full native malolactic fermentations then take place in barrel, with <i>sur lies bâtonnage</i> .
Aging	After aging 18 months in 30% new François Frères barrels, this Chardonnay was lightly fined and settled in tank before being bottled without filtration.
Cases Alcohol	234 14.5%
Release Date Price	March 2017 \$65

“This is our first estate Chardonnay, from the heart of the Russian River Valley. It has a complex and harmonious mouthfeel, balancing power & elegance.” –David Ramey
