

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

VINEYARD

Appellation Russian River Valley

Site This vineyard is owned by the Martinelli family and was planted to our specifications

in 2007. It lies directly south of their winery on Woolsey Road. Vines are spaced one meter by two meters. Rootstock is the low-vigor 420A and the vines are cane

pruned.

Soil Huichica clay-loam over clay.

Clonal Selection This cool site was planted with Old Wente cuttings taken from our Chardonnay

blocks in Platt Vineyard, which had been selected from the Hyde Vineyard.

VINTAGE

Growing Season 2013 summed up to be a perfect vintage with clear sunny days and cool evenings.

This produced a long, moderate growing season with extended hang time and even

ripening, resulting in a full range of flavors while retaining natural acidity.

Harvest Date | Brix August 22 | 23.4°

WINEMAKING

Varietal Compositon 100% Chardonnay

Fermentation We press whole clusters for phenolic delicacy (low tannins). Native-yeast and full

native malolactic fermentations take place in barrel, with sur lies bâtonnage.

Aging After eighteen months in 30% new French oak barrels from François Frères, this

Chardonnay was bottled without filtration in June 2015.

Cases | Alcohol 580 | 14.5%

Release Date | Price March 2016 | \$65

"Coming from special vineyard sites, our Chardonnays show great depth of flavor, length of finish, aromatic complexity, and a fine balance between richness and delicacy. Typically, the climate is cool and the soil vigor low, producing graceful yet vibrant wines. This is our second bottling from this new site."—David Ramey