



RAMEY

Estate Chardonnay

WESTSIDE FARMS®

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

VINEYARD

- Site** Westside Farms, our 75-acre ranch on Westside Road, has been in use as farmland since the middle 1800s. Almost half the property remains as wild, riparian habitat.
- Soil** The soil here is Yolo silty loam, derived from sedimentary formation in alluvial fans.
- Clonal Selection** This vintage is from Block 1, which was planted in 1989 to a Spring Mountain selection.

VINTAGE

- Growing Season** The second year of drought in a row, winter and spring of 2021 were extremely dry. Variable spring weather stretched out bloom, necessitating careful green drops at veraison. Temperatures stabilized in June, remaining moderate through harvest. Overall, the 2021 season was the coolest, most even growing season since 2018. Yields were average to very low, and especially low for many chardonnay sites.
- Harvest Date | Brix** August 28 | 22.5°

WINEMAKING

- Varietal Composition** 100% Chardonnay
- Fermentation** We press whole clusters for phenolic delicacy. Native yeast and full native malolactic fermentations take place in concrete, with *sur lies bâtonnage*.
- Aging** After fermentation and aging for 20 months entirely in concrete egg, the Chardonnay was traditionally fined for clarity and texture and bottled without filtration in June 2023.
- Release Date | Price** March 2024 | \$85

Westside Farms, our 75-acre ranch, has been in farmland since the mid-1800s and borders a mile and a half of the Russian River. The vineyard shares the same silty Yolo loam soils as Rochioli Vineyard a mile north. – David Ramey