

P E D R O N C E L L I





F. Johnson Vineyard

The Frank Johnson Vineyard was planted to Chardonnay in the 1980s and is a primary source for Pedroncelli. A particular block is chosen for our small lot barrel-fermented style Chardonnay. Two appellations meet in this vineyard: Russian River Valley on the south side and Dry Creek Valley to the north. Fruit comes entirely from a designated portion on the Dry Creek Valley side. Influenced by the cool climate that combines marine fog layers and the confluence of two main waterways, the resulting wine shows exceptional quality.

WINEMAKING

Spring rain and perfect growing conditions during the growing season accelerated the ripening of the grapes, and the F. Johnson Vineyard block was harvested on September 5. The result was excellent quality and a high intensity of tropical aromas and flavors. Because of the even growing season the Chardonnay fruit had mild acids with full flavors and aromatics.

The grapes were crushed and pressed into a stainless steel tank to settle for 24 hours. The juice was inoculated with Montrachet yeast and half-way through fermentation was transferred to barrels. 100% of the production underwent malo-lactic or secondary fermentation. The wine was aged for seven months in American oak, with 30% new oak. Weekly stirring of the barrels ensured the smoothing effects of aging the wine sur-lie, adding additional complexity.

TASTING NOTES

The bouquet of our single vineyard Chardonnay shows elegant floral notes, a touch of vanilla toast, and nectarine. With a creamy texture the flavor is framed by light lemon zest, peach, caramel and toasty oak notes. Barrel fermentation and malo-lactic fermentation add complexity and richness. Medium bodied, the fruit flavors blend with bright acidity and a smooth dry finish. Enjoy now or within three years of release.

Technical Information

APPELLATION Dry Creek Valley

BARREL AGING Seven months in American oak

ALCOHOL 14.2%

pH 3.53

TOTAL ACIDITY .548g/100mg

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