



PAPAPIETRO PERRY

2017

PETERS VINEYARD

Russian River Valley
C H A R D O N N A Y

WINE PROFILE

Varietal:	100% Chardonnay
Appellation:	Russian River Valley
Harvest Dates:	September 15, 2017
Alcohol:	14.1%
Cooperage:	11 months in Francois Frères French oak, 3 year-old
Bottled:	August 17, 2018
Production:	261 cases

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Located a few miles west of Sebastopol on the edge of the Russian River Valley appellation, lies Peters Vineyard, the backbone of our production. An ideal location for Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, this former apple orchard is blanketed by the cool ocean fog in the mornings and evenings, coaxing out the grapes' best flavors. The hot sunny days intensify the fruit, and create just the flavor profile we are looking for in our wine.

Peters Vineyard was our first-ever vineyard designate, and we continue to enjoy a close relationship with grower Randy Peters. His expert vineyard management helps us to consistently produce this incredibly luscious wine.

We have refined our winemaking techniques over time for this compelling Chardonnay site. We pick the grapes when they reach optimal ripeness; when there are fresh primary fruit flavors with plenty of acidity. We press the whole cluster grapes right away into a small holding tank to settle. Once most of the solids have settled, we move the wine from tank to a combination of new and 1-2 year old Francois Frères French oak barrels for fermentation. We inoculate the Chardonnay juice with cultured yeast and let the juice ferment at relatively cool temperatures until dry. The wine then ages for 11 – 14 months in barrel.

TASTING NOTES

The former apple orchard that is the Peters Vineyard continues to make its presence known in this distinctive Chardonnay. The eye is greeted with a beautiful bright golden apple hue that turns to platinum upon swirling. The nose is tempted by vibrant flavors of white flowers, lemongrass, and Asian pear that soften into velvety tones of honeydew. The palate is rewarded with perfectly balanced flavors of Fuji apple, apricot and toasted macadamia nut. Bright acidity and a touch of minerality meld these flavors into a lingering finish that hints of crème brûlée. This is a Chardonnay that touches your soul.

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