

COURTNEY BENHAM WINERY 2004 CHARDONNAY RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

TECHNICAL NOTES

Varietal: 93% Chardonnay 7% Pinot Blanc Brix at Harvest: 25.2°

Alcohol: 14.4% Total Acidity: 0.58

pH: 3.62

Quantity Produced: 725 cases



THE VINEYARDS

Our 2004 Russian River Valley Chardonnay is produced from selected vineyards in the cool Russian River Valley. The cooler climate in this region with a coastal influence that often brings fog to the area, produces grapes of exceptional quality that allow us to create wines with bright and intense flavors.

WINE NOTES

This classic rich and buttery Chardonnay is ripe with complex layers of apples, fresh peaches and vanilla. Twelve months in French and American oak barrels allows the wine to develop a rounder, creamier texture. Aromas of crisp apple and green melon are balanced by rich vanilla oak. A soft supple entry leads to a full, textured palate and a spicy lingering finish.

FOOD AND WINE PAIRING

Try grilled Hawaiian style Mahi-Mahi topped with mango chutney or oysters poached in white wine to pair with this Chardonnay.