

PAST VINTAGES

Russian River Chardonnay 2016

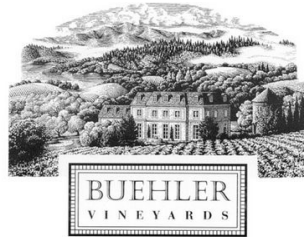
CSPC# 714965

750mlx12

13.8% alc./vol.

Chemical Analysis	Acidity: 5.9 g/l	pH: 3.52	Residual Sugar: 0.8 g/l
Grape Variety	100% Chardonnay		
Winemaker	David Cronin		
Vintage	The 2016 Russian River harvest delivered an early, high quality Chardonnay crop that left us wishing for more of a good thing. Yields across our Russian River vineyards were down an average of 20% or so from 2015. Average daytime high temperatures were also slightly below average making for slower, more even ripening as well as a less frenzied pace at the winery. As with most early harvests, the late October rains were welcomed since all grapes had long been picked and were safely fermenting away at the winery.		
Vineyards	Our 2016 Russian River Chardonnay is born from two vineyards within the Russian River appellation: Wood Vineyard, located on River Rd and River Vineyard, located in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley on East Side Road. The floral, mineral, and lime aromas and steely structure of the River Vineyard are complemented by the peach and apricot aromas and more fleshy structure of the Wood Vineyard		
Vinification/ Maturation	Our winemaking philosophy remains the same since we first introduced the Russian River Chardonnay in 1993: less intervention is better in dealing with a delicate variety like chardonnay. Winemaking techniques including sur-lie aging, lees stirring, full malolactic fermentation, and the measured use of some new French oak are employed to bring you this delicious rendition from Sonoma's premier Chardonnay appellation.		
Tasting Notes	Balance and proportion best describe the character of our 2016 Russian River Chardonnay; it displays abundant floral/ stone fruit aromas lightly accented by toasty, graham cracker sur-lie qualities. The mouth feel is creamy and full, but the natural acidity of the Russian River fruit carries this velvet textured package to a long, clean finish.		
Production	16,000 cases		
Scores/Awards	89 points - James Laube, <i>Wine Spectator</i> - June, 2018		
Reviews	<i>"Offers spice, elegant white peach, nectarine, and floral scents, ending long, clean and pure. Drink now through 2022. 15,000 cases made."</i> - JL, <i>Wine Spectator</i>		





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Russian River Chardonnay 2014

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750mlx12

13.8% alc./vol.

Chemical Analysis Acidity: 5.9 g/l pH: 3.45 Residual Sugar: 1.00 g/l

Grape Variety 100% Chardonnay

Winemaker David Cronin

Vintage The 2014 vintage will be fondly remembered for its classic proportions and near perfect ripening season that began with ideal flowering & fruit set & then was coaxed to ripeness by a steady stream of moderate sun-drenched days & cool foggy nights. The harvest began a full seven to ten days earlier than the 2013 harvest. Like 2013, the late light rains of the 2014 harvest season posed no threat to our crop since it was safely tucked away in the winery once they arrived.

Vineyards Our 2014 Russian River Chardonnay is born from two vineyards within the Russian River appellation: Wood Vineyard, located on River Rd and River Vineyard, located in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley on East Side Road.

The floral, mineral, and lime aromas and steely structure of the River Vineyard are complemented by the peach and apricot aromas and more fleshy structure of the Wood Vineyard.

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Tasting Notes Balance and proportion best describe the character of our 2014 Russian River Chardonnay; it displays abundant floral/ stone fruit aromas lightly accented by toasty, graham cracker sur-lie qualities. The mouth feel is creamy and full, but the natural acidity of the Russian River fruit carries this velvet textured package to a long, clean finish.

Production 20,000 cases

Scores/Awards **90 points** / Editor's Choice - Virginie Boone, Wine Enthusiast - March 1, 2017

88 points - James Laube, Wine Spectator - March 31, 2017

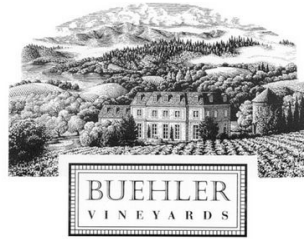
Reviews "Searing acidity supports apple blossom and quince in this complex, light-bodied and entirely delightful wine. As it opens in the glass, it gets more velvety and tense, finishing on a refreshing bite of anise."

- VB, Wine Enthusiast

"Pure and well-focused on complex pear, apple, honeydew and light spicy oak notes. An easy-to-enjoy style. Drink now. 20,000 cases made."

- JL, Wine Spectator





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Russian River Chardonnay 2012

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750mlx12

13.9% alc./vol.

Chemical Analysis Acidity: 5.7 g/l pH: 3.52 Residual Sugar: 1.1 g/l

Grape Variety 100% Chardonnay

Winemaker David Cronin

Vintage What a difference two years makes! After the two consecutive challenging vintages of 2010 and 2011, Mother Nature lobbed one over home plate in 2012. We connected! Ideal Spring growing conditions resulted in a very even fruit set since untimely rains and frosts were not an issue. The crop, though larger than the previous two smaller harvests, was near-normal in size and was delivered the first two weeks of October. The icing on the cake was the absence of any storm clouds on the horizon until very late in the growing season after all of our chardonnay was safely in.

Vineyards Our 2012 Russian River Chardonnay is born from two vineyards within the Russian River appellation: Wood Vineyard, located on River Rd and River Vineyard, located in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley on East Side Road. The floral, mineral, and lime aromas and steely structure of the River Vineyard are complemented by the peach and apricot aromas and more fleshy structure of the Wood Vineyard.

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Tasting Notes Balance and proportion best describe the character of our 2012 Russian River Chardonnay; it displays abundant floral/ stone fruit aromas lightly accented by toasty, graham cracker sur-lie qualities. The mouth feel is creamy & full but the natural acidity of the Russian River fruit carries this velvet textured package to a long, clean finish.

Production 20,000 cases

Scores/Awards **87 points** - James Laube, Wine Spectator - June 30, 2014

87 points - Robert Parker, Wine Advocate #208 - August 2013

84 points - Steve Heimhoff, Wine Enthusiast - February 1, 2014

Bronze Medal - Dallas Wine Competition 2014

Reviews "A pleasing style that's a bit lumpy and intense, with ripe pear, apple, melon and spice notes, showing a kiss of oak on the finish. Drink now. 20,000 cases made."

- JL, Wine Spectator

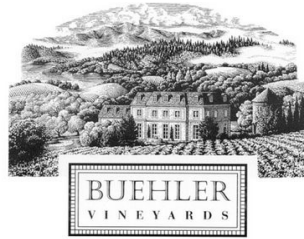
"Four excellent values from Buehler Vineyards include the 2012 Chardonnay, a 20,000-case cuvee revealing loads of pineapple and pear fruit intermixed with a hint of honey, medium body, good purity and freshness, and a moderately intense mouthfeel. Drink it over the next year."

- RP, eroberparker.com

"This Chardonnay has all the bells and whistles from malolactic fermentation and lees aging to oak barrel aging. It's rich and soft with flavors of buttered toast, pineapple and orange jam, along with yeasty notes on the finish."

- SH, Wine Enthusiast





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Russian River Chardonnay 2010

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Chemical Analysis	Acidity: 5.7 g/l	pH: 3.54	Residual Sugar: 1.4 g/l
Grape Variety	100% Chardonnay		
Winemaker	David Cronin		
Vintage	The end result of the cool, rainy spring of 2010 was ultimately a harvest that began about two weeks later than "normal". Growers struggled to meet the demands of the 2010 growing season as the late spring and cool summer demanded more hand work in the vineyard to ensure that the grapes delivered at harvest were of the usual optimum quality. We started harvesting our Russian River Chardonnay the second week of Oct.		
Vineyards	Our 2010 Russian River Chardonnay is born from two vineyards within the Russian River appellation: Wood Vineyard, located on River Rd and River Vineyard, located in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley on East Side Road. The floral, mineral, and lime aromas and steely structure of the River Vineyard are complemented by the peach and apricot aromas and more fleshy structure of the Wood Vineyard.		
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Tasting Notes	The 2010 Russian River Chardonnay displays abundant floral/ stone fruit aromas lightly accented by toasty, graham cracker sur-lie qualities. The mouth feel is creamy and full but the natural acidity of the Russian River fruit carries this velvet textured package to a long, clean finish.		
Production	15,000 cases		
Scores/Awards	88 points - James Laube, Wine Spectator - Web Only 2012 87 points - Steve Heimhoff, Wine Enthusiast - July 1. 2012 85 points - Robert Parker, Wine Advocate #203 - October 2012		
Reviews	<i>"Initially intense, yet turns delicate, with white peach, nectarine, honey, cinnamon and light oak. Very complete. Drink now. 15,000 cases made."</i> - JL, Wine Spectator <i>"Sweet oak and jammy fruit dominate this Chardonnay. Made in the popular style, its buttered toast, orange marmalade and honey flavors—all brightened with acidity—will find widespread appeal."</i> - SH, Wine Enthusiast <i>"All of these wines are technically correct, pleasant wines, with the best one probably the 2010 Chardonnay, which is 100% Chardonnay from the Russian River. At this price point, it is attractive if somewhat simple. Notes of tropical fruit, decent acidity, and virtually no wood from what I can tell has produced a wine best drunk over the next year."</i> - RP, Wine Advocate		





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Russian River Chardonnay 2009

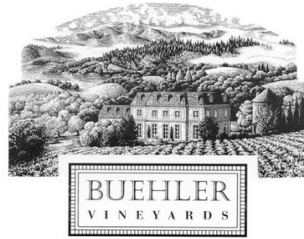
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Chemical Analysis	Acidity: 5.7 g/l	pH: 3.55	Residual Sugar: 1.4 g/l
Grape Variety	100% Chardonnay		
Winemaker	David Cronin		
Vintage	The early 2009 growing season contrasted with the previous two vintages in that we were not impacted by spring frosts. Late Spring rains were perfectly timed to supply water to the vines at the critical time when they most needed it. The crop size was as close to "average" as one could hope for and it arrived at the winery at a measured, consistent pace. This was a benevolent harvest producing a Chardonnay with very forward, bright, floral characteristics.		
Vineyards	Our 2009 Russian River Chardonnay is born from two vineyards within the Russian River appellation: Wood Vineyard, located on River Rd and River Vineyard, located in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley on East Side Road. The floral, mineral, and lime aromas and steely structure of the River Vineyard are complemented by the peach and apricot aromas and more fleshy structure of the Wood Vineyard.		
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Tasting Notes	The 2009 Russian River Chardonnay displays abundant floral/ stone fruit aromas lightly accented by toasty, graham cracker sur-lie qualities. The mouthfeel is creamy and full but the natural acidity of the Russian River fruit carries this velvet textured package to a long, clean finish.		
Production	18,000 cases		
Scores/Awards	88 points - Robert Parker, Wine Advocate #196 - August 2011 86 points - James Laube, Wine Spectator - December 31, 2010		
Reviews	<i>"Complex fig, melon, spice and light cedary oak notes are presented in a refreshing manner. Very good, if simple. Drink now. 15,000 cases made." - JL, Wine Spectator</i> <i>"The 2009 Chardonnay Russian River (18,000 cases produced) is a steal. Fresh honeysuckle notes intermixed with pineapple and white peach nuances emerge from this medium-bodied effort. There is not a hint of oak in this beauty, only a luscious texture, good freshness and crisp acids. Enjoy it over the next 1-2 years." - RP, Wine Advocate</i>		





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Russian River Chardonnay 2008

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750mlx12

13.9% alc./vol.

Chemical Analysis Acidity: 5.8 g/l pH: 3.51 Residual Sugar: 1.2 g/l

Grape Variety

100% Chardonnay

Winemaker

David Cronin

Vintage

We'll remember the 2008 harvest for the challenging growing conditions that ultimately delivered the quality grapes we're accustomed to, albeit in lower quantities. The worst Spring frosts in Napa Valley since 1972 spared our hillside vineyards for the most part; we lost perhaps 5-10% of our crop. Subsequent variable weather over bloom translated to looser clusters and smaller berries. An exceptionally bad fire season in Northern California thankfully left our vineyards intact and we experienced no smoke damage to our fruit. A collective sigh of relief could be heard at Buehler September 18 when we kicked off our Cabernet harvest.

Vineyards

Our 2008 Russian River Chardonnay is born from two vineyards within the Russian River appellation: Wood Vineyard, located on River Rd and River Vineyard, located in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley on East Side Road. The floral, mineral, and lime aromas and steely structure of the River Vineyard are complemented by the peach and apricot aromas and more fleshy structure of the Wood Vineyard.

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Tasting Notes

The 2008 Russian River Chardonnay displays abundant passion fruit/ stone fruit aromas accented by toasty, graham cracker sur-lie qualities. The mouthfeel is creamy and full but the natural acidity of the Russian River fruit carries this velvet textured package to a long, clean finish.

Production

16,000 cases made.

Scores/Awards

87 points - James Laube, *Wine Spectator* - February 28, 2010

87 points - Robert Parker, *Wine Advocate* #184 - August 2009

Reviews

"Clean and flinty, with spicy green apple and honeydew melon flavors. Medium-bodied and moderately complex. Drink now through 2013. 16,000 cases made."

- JL, *Wine Spectator*

"A super value in Chardonnay, this 100% Chardonnay from the Russian River keeps the oak in check, although there is a slight hint of smokiness and barrel aging. Fresh, lively, pineapple, pear, and lemon blossom characteristics are all present in this medium-bodied, elegant, delicious white. Drink it over the next year."

- RP, *Wine Advocate*

