



ARISTA RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY **CHARDONNAY 2019**

ABOUT THE WINERY

The core principle of the winemaking philosophy at Arista is to capture and express the true character and potential of each vineyard. They work with a very carefully chosen handful of grand-cru level Pinot Noir and Chardonnay vineyards and are uncompromising in their efforts to maximize the full potential of the wines crafted from these special sites.

ABOUT THE WINE

The Russian River Valley Chardonnay blend combines old vine plantings - Banfield and Ritchie - with younger plantings - El Diablo and Arista's Westside Road Estate. Once again, no de-classified wine or "filler" vineyards are used. Ideal growing conditions and unique terroir combine to produce a wine that demonstrates the full potential of the Russian River Valley appellation. The combination of vine age, site and winemaking produce a profound wine that provides great insight into the vintage and appellation each year.

KEY SELLING POINTS

- Family owned and operated by two generations of the McWilliams family since 2002
- A 36-acre estate with a state of the art winery and underground cellar built in 2017
- Focused on old vine, cool climate vineyards, with a proven track record of quality, in the Russian River Valley
- Winemaker, Matt Courtney, boasts over 15 years experience in making terroir driven Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in Sonoma County
- Since the 2013 vintage, Arista has consistently produced some of the highest rated Pinot Noir and Chardonnay by any producer in California

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Varietal Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Vineyards: Banfield, Ritchie, El Diablo, Arista Estate Vineyards

Clones: Old Wente and Montrachet

Aging: 11 months in barrel followed by 6 months in stainless steel

Alcohol: 13.8%



Wine Spectator

"Appealingly rich, with buttery nuances to the apricot, lemon curd and toasted sesame flavors, showing restraint and freshness on the sleek frame."

MaryAnn Worobiec, July 2022

