



## 2021 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY CHARDONNAY

### TASTING NOTES

Our Russian River Valley Chardonnay bottling is a blend of barrels from five Russian River Valley vineyards: Flora Marie, El Diablo, Ritchie, Banfield, and our Westside Road Estate. It's always an exceptional introduction to the character of Russian River Valley Chardonnay in any vintage. Combining the best elements of our favorite vineyards with slightly less new oak, this cuvée is wonderfully easy-drinking in its youth, yet maintains an extraordinary degree of quality and age-ability.

The 2021 Arista Russian River Valley Chardonnay boasts brilliant clarity and a gorgeous greenish hue that catches the eye. On the nose, it offers aromas of lemon-lime soda, wet stones, lemon drop, and white flowers that give it a vibrant and refreshing character. The palate shows a firm and zippy texture that is beautifully balanced by a subtle mineral tone, adding a degree of complexity to the wine. The finish is crisp and clean, leaving a mouthwatering sensation that lingers pleasantly. This Chardonnay is a testament to the exceptional quality of the Russian River Valley. It's a perfect wine for any occasion, from casual gatherings to elegant dinner parties.

*Peak drinking window: 2023 through 2029.*

### PHILOSOPHY

Arista Winery was founded by the McWilliams family with a mission to create the most elegant expressions of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Arista sources grapes from small, responsibly-farmed vineyard "gems" and works closely with these growers who share our dedication to sustainability in their vineyards. This combination of minimal intervention, and gentle yet meticulous coaxing in the vineyards and in the cellar have resulted in wines with rich, deep flavors that reflect the unique sites from which the grapes are sourced. Produced in small lots of several barrels, the wines are deliciously balanced with fruit, tannins, acidity and oak in harmonious proportion.

Our Russian River Valley Chardonnay is a blend that combines old vine plantings, ideal growing conditions, and unique terroir producing a wine that demonstrates the full potential of the Russian River Valley.

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