

2015 Chardonnay Dutton Ranch Russian River Valley

From 40 year old Chardonnay vines planted on the famous Dutton Ranch located on the western edge of the Russian River Valley. True to the Smith Story style, this is a bright and energetic Chardonnay.

There is an underlying core of intensity which runs through this wine from front to back. The old vine fruit gives off a very rich but restrained mouth feel out of the gates and right into the finish. This is a bright and pure expression of really pretty Chardonnay which will age very nicely for years to come.

This particular block of the Dutton Ranch is called "Mill Station", a place from where Ali fell for California chardonnay years ago. We can't wait to taste this beautiful chardonnay 5 and 10 years from now, one for the ages!

Vineyard Location: Russian River Valley, West Sonoma County

Harvest Date: hand harvested at sunrise on September 9, 2015

 $\boldsymbol{Aging:}\ barrel\ aged\ in\ 80\%\ used\ 20\%\ new\ Burgundy\ oak\ for\ 17\ months$

Details: 13.1% alcohol
Production: 197 cases

SRP: \$48