

WENTE

VINEYARDS

CHARDONNAY

ARROYO SECO • MONTEREY

RIVA RANCH VINEYARD

2017



Wente Vineyards is a Certified California Sustainable Vineyard and Winery. Less than 2% of all California wineries have received this certification



VINEYARD

Our Riva Ranch Vineyard Chardonnay is sourced exclusively from our Riva Ranch Vineyard in Arroyo Seco, Monterey. Arroyo Seco, where we have been growing grapes since the 1960's, is widely regarded as one of the best places in California to grow Chardonnay. The long, cool growing season with the deep gravelly soil ripen the Chardonnay perfectly which gives natural balance of sugar and acidity.



WINEMAKING

FERMENTATION

90% barrel fermented in a combination of 60% new and 40% second use French and American oak.

10% is stainless steel fermented.

AGING

Aged sur-lie for 8 months, where the wine underwent 100% malolactic fermentation.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2017 Riva Ranch Vineyard Chardonnay opens up with layers of tropical fruit and toast, similar to grilled pineapple and graham cracker. This wine has a creamy mouthfeel with a balanced acidity and will continue to evolve as it rests in the bottle.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

98% Chardonnay
2% Gewürztraminer

ALCOHOL 13.5%

PH 3.63

TA 0.60g/100ml

HARVEST DATE(S) 9/28-10/10

BRIX AT HARVEST 24.4

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