

R A N C H

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CHARDONNAY
ESTATE GROWN | MONTEREY

On the west side of the Salinas Valley, directly in the path of Monterey's relentless afternoon winds, sits Ranch 32. This is the place where we first planted vines back in 1972. Ranch 32 is about highlighting the natural characteristics of the terroir and conveying the taste of the place. Each vintage, we produce small lots of wine from these sustainably farmed estate vineyards that represent the best of the appellation.

ADVANCED SUSTAINABILITY

Harnessing the breezes that blow through the Salinas Valley daily, our entire winery operation is 100% powered by wind. Our estate vineyards are certified by the California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance.



TARGETED WINEMAKING

Our Chardonnay grapes come from one of our estate vineyards in the Arroyo Seco AVA of Monterey County. This site is located just south of the Santa Lucia Highlands. The climate is heavily influenced by the cool afternoon winds that come off Monterey Bay and sweep down the valley each afternoon. With nutrient-rich shaly loam soils, this is renowned terroir for both Chardonnay and Pinot Noir.

The grapes were picked at optimum ripeness during the night and brought to the winery in the early morning hours. Upon arrival, the grapes were gently whole-cluster pressed, chilled, and racked clean to a refrigerated stainless steel tank. The juice was slowly fermented at a cool temperature to enhance the varietal aromatics. A portion of the blend was aged in stainless steel in order to retain the bright fruit flavors and crisp acidity. The rest of the blend was aged with French oak to enhance a buttery-creamy quality and add complexity, richness and texture to the finished wine.

TASTING NOTES:

Our Chardonnay is bright, crisp and balanced. The nose delivers pear, citrus, tropical fruit and toasted vanilla beans. The palate is rich and concentrated with notes of pineapple, butterscotch and minerality. This versatile wine can be served as an apéritif or as an accompaniment to your favorite fowl and seafood dishes.

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