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VINEYARDS

*Chardonnay*

HAWK HILL VINEYARD

GREEN VALLEY OF  
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY  
VINTAGE 2022

#### IN THE VINEYARD

The Hawk Hill Vineyard is situated in the far southwest corner of the Russian River Valley at an old stage coach stop. The vineyard hangs onto a steep south-facing hillside, bathed by regular fog cycles and coastal wind. Grapevines struggle to ripen their fruit at such a cool site, but meticulous viticulture practices and patience are rewarded with an opulent range of flavors and impressive complexity from the long hang time. Minerality and acidity are preserved in this climate, deftly complementing the richness captured from our winemaking.

#### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

We select clone 5 grapes from Hawk Hill that are hand-picked, sorted, whole-cluster pressed and barrel fermented with native yeast. The wine is aged in French oak barrels, 20% new, for 18 months and undergoes 100% Malolactic fermentation before being bottled unfiltered.

#### TASTING NOTES

Energetic and refreshing aromas of ripe white peach, bright orange zest, and crisp grapefruit leap from the glass. Alluring and dynamic layers of caramelized fruit and rich golden honey embrace the palate, complemented by a lively burst of acidity enhanced by subtle notes of warm allspice and smooth vanilla. The captivating and lasting finish enchants with a delicate touch of sea salt, leaving a memorable impression of joy.

#### TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION:  
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ALCOHOL: 14.5%

PH: 3.52

TA: 6.9 g/L

AGING: 100% French oak, 20% new

MONTHS IN BARREL: 18

