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# The Cutrer

VINTAGE 2023 · RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY · SINGLE VINEYARD · CHARDONNAY

The Cutrer Vineyard sits on an ancient seabed that retains heat, radiating it to the closely spaced vines. With diverse microclimates, soil types, rootstocks and clones, each vineyard block offers unique nuances, providing our winemakers with a “spice rack” of flavors to craft this premium wine.

## VINTAGE OBSERVATIONS

The 2023 harvest for Sonoma-Cutrer, starting later than usual, and benefited from record winter rains that revitalized the soils and promoted healthy vine growth. Cooler spring and summer temperatures allowed for gradual grape development and extended ripening, ensuring optimal maturity. As October brought warm, dry weather, the grapes reached perfect ripeness. This combination of ample water, cool growing conditions, and a warm finish resulted in a 2023 vintage with exceptional balance, complexity, and depth of flavor.

## WINEMAKING PROCESS

The grapes were hand-harvested at night into shallow bins and cooled to preserve their fresh flavors and natural acidity. After whole-cluster pressing, the cool, golden-green free-run juice settled for a few days before fermenting in French oak barrels. The Cutrer is 100% barrel-fermented and aged seven months sur-lies, with barrels stirred and topped monthly. After seven months, the wine was blended and transferred, into three-year-old barrels for another five months, before bottling.

## TASTING NOTES

This vintage of The Cutrer is bright and refined, offering delicate aromas of caramel, vanilla, nougat, and white peach layered with pear and a hint of pie crust. On the palate, baked apple and macadamia nut meld with sweet spice, unfolding over a rich, textured mid-palate. A lift of juicy acidity carries the wine to a vibrant, lingering finish.

**COMPOSITION:** 100% CHARDONNAY

**FERMENTATION:** 100% MALOLACTIC, 100% OAK

**BARREL AGING:** AGED FOR 14 MONTHS IN FRENCH OAK

**ALCOHOL:** 13.8% · **TOTAL ACIDITY:** 6.3 G/L · **PH:** 3.40



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