

ADDAX

2019

AK Cuvée
Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County
Chardonnay

THE WINE

This best-barrel blend of two Sonoma vineyards takes the rich and powerful fruit from the Ritchie Vineyard and elevates it with the refreshing and aromatic fruit of the Rued Vineyard. Deeply flavored Pippin apple and Anjou pear with top notes of passion fruit and Cara Cara orange. A meticulously refined palate with a refreshing, mineral-tinged and lengthy finish.

THE VINEYARDS

Kent Ritchie planted the Ritchie vineyard in the heart of Sonoma's Russian River Valley in the early 70's to the esteemed and low yielding Wente clone of Chardonnay. This ancient seabed turned gentle, pacific-facing hills feature sandy Goldridge soils with marine fossils still evident in the vineyard. This is an American equivalent to a French Grand Cru vineyard.

Developed by the Rued family in 1969, the Purrington Rued vineyard is nestled on a southwest-facing hillside of Sonoma's Green Valley where it receives a cooling maritime influence from the Pacific. The sedimentary gravel and marine deposit laden soil bring out the best in its unique Musque clone Chardonnay.



WINEMAKER
Russell Bevan

BLEND
100% Chardonnay
Wente and Musque Clones

PRODUCTION
125 cases

SOURCES
Ritchie Vineyard
Purrington Rued Vineyard

AGING
17 months in new French oak

ALCOHOL
14.8%