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Ritchie Vineyard Russian River Valley, Sonoma County Chardonnay

THE WINE

The Ritchie Vineyard always creates a powerhouse Chardonnay that delivers intense fruit weight and flavors. Bold Gravenstein apple, Anjou pear and lemon curd with earthy-floral notes of hawthorne and wet stone minerality. The finish is framed by fresh baked brioche and creamy lees. A full throttled Chardonnay that you can pair with the richest cuisine.

THE VINEYARD

Kent Ritchie planted this 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.

"...palate is vibrant and intense, with a lively backbone and citrusy finish"

96 Points - LISA PERROTTI-BROWN - THE WINE INDEPENDENT



WINEMAKER
Russell Bevan

BLEND 100% Chardonnay Wente Clone

PRODUCTION 215 cases

SOURCE Ritchie Vineyard

AGING
16 months in new French oak