

COASTAL
CALIFORNIA
WINES

Reata



2018 CHARDONNAY • SONOMA COAST

RELEASE DATE
Spring 2020

APPELLATION
Sonoma Coast including
42% Russian River Valley
and 58% Los Carneros

VARIETAL
100% Chardonnay

AGING
9 months on 50% new
French Oak

AGING POTENTIAL
6-8 years

ALCOHOL
14.2%

ACIDITY
5.25 g/L

pH 3.68

PRODUCTION
5,200 cases

SRP
\$19.99

TASTING NOTES

This food-friendly Chardonnay shows juicy, fresh fruit aromatics and flavors of apple blossom, honeydew melon, guava and grapefruit zest. The creamy texture and rich flavors of toasted oak are framed by a bright acidity that lifts the fruit and leaves a lingering finish that will keep you wanting more.

FOOD PAIRING

This wine is the perfect complement to light salads, pastas and pizzas, as well as shellfish, grilled fish and grilled chicken.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Every year, our winemaker hand-selects desirable vineyards sites from microclimates in the Sonoma Coast. This 2018 vintage includes grapes exclusively from revered American Viticultural Areas (AVAs) including Russian River Valley and Los Carneros.

The 2018 vintage in Sonoma will continue to be celebrated in years to come for the concentrated flavor intensity of wines like this Chardonnay. The growing season began with rain in the early Spring, which helped to rejuvenate the vines. Following, the steady and warm summer allowed for grapes to mature slowly. This led into a cool, slow and successful Harvest. The combination of these elements resulted in these Chardonnay grapes reaching their full ripeness while retaining naturally high acidity. The spectrum of flavors is exciting and noteworthy.

In the winery, more than 50% of this wine was barrel-fermented, went through malolactic fermentation and received fine lees stirring. This enhanced the integration of toasted oak notes and created a rounder, creamier flavor and texture, which is especially noticeable in the creamy finish. The residual malic acid adds crispness to this wine.



Reata comes from the Spanish word for lariat and lasso. The lasso honors our winery's ranching tradition and winemaking philosophy. Just as lassos are woven together, our wines are sourced from exceptional vineyards and woven together by our winemaker. Our Winemaker Linda Trotta joined us in 2017 following three decades of experience. In 2018, Linda was named the North Bay Business Journal's Napa Valley Winemaker of the Year.