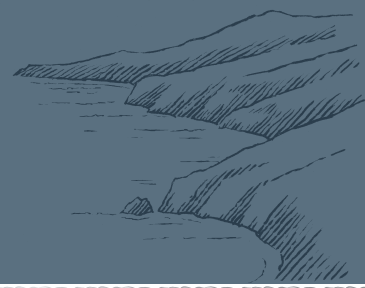


COASTAL
CALIFORNIA
WINES

REATA



2020 CHARDONNAY • SONOMA COAST

RELEASE DATE
November 2021

APPELLATION
97% Sonoma Coast
(49% Sonoma Carneros;
48% Russian River);
3% California

VARIETAL
98% Chardonnay

FERMENTATION
55% Barrel ferment,
45% stainless

AGING POTENTIAL
5-7 years

ALCOHOL
13.8%

ACIDITY
5.2 g/L

pH 3.62

PRODUCTION
3,600 cases

SRP
\$19.99



TASTING NOTES

Refreshing nose with notes of honey, tropical fruit, sea salt. Lively acidity similar to green pear. Fresh flavors of tropical fruit, melon apricot and mango. Balanced mid palette and toastier notes of marzipan, brown sugar, and spiced nuts (salty/sweet). Creamy finish with good length, lift, and structure.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Every year, our winemaker hand-selects desirable vineyards sites from microclimates in the Sonoma Coast. This 2020 vintage includes grapes exclusively from revered American Viticultural Areas (AVAs) including Russian River Valley and Sonoma Carneros.

Although the 2020 growing season enjoyed near-perfect growing conditions, a mid-August lightning storm resulted in a dramatic turn for Sonoma County's winegrapes. It was estimated that between 25% and 30% of the county's grapes went unpicked this year, and it remains to be seen which wines will be made in 2020. However, many vintners are optimistic about the quality of the harvested fruit. Fortunately, as a result of this year's early harvest, more than 15% of the region's grapes had been picked before the LNU Complex fires began and 90% had been harvested by the start of the Glass fire. Many growers, vineyard workers and their families were forced to evacuate their homes and ranches, and in response, the Sonoma County Grape Growers Foundation reopened its Resiliency Fund in August to raise funds to support local farmworkers impacted by evacuations or loss of work.

In the winery, 55% 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.

ACCOLADES

91 Points, Wine Spectator, v2019
Top 100 of Wines of 2020/90 Points/Best Buy, Wine Spectator, v2018
92 Points, Robert Parker, v2017
91 Points, James Suckling, v2017
90 points, Wine Enthusiast, v2016



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. In 2018, our Winemaker Linda Trotta was named the *North Bay Business Journal's* Napa Valley Winemaker of the Year.