

Ernest Vineyards

Chardonnay, Sonoma Coast





The Ernest Sonoma Coast Chardonnay shows an outstanding balance of minerality, citrus, texture, and just a hint of reductiveness. The grapes come from the estate vineyard and different sections of the Ocean View Vineyard (old vines Clone 4 and younger plantings of Wente), right on the edge of Green Valley and the Sonoma Coast. On the nose, you'll get lemon zest, crunchy orchard fruit, and a touch of honeysuckle, leading into a mouthful of citrus peels, saline minerality, and delicate creaminess. The wine spent nine months in barrique (25% new French oak, lightly toasted to add texture). The wine underwent full malolactic fermentation, with no bâtonnage, and was filtered for clarity.

Grape varieties: Chardonnay

Tasting notes:

A precise coastal Chardonnay. Delicious.

Press Notes

Decanter

2023 94 points

James Suckling

2023 95 points

AG Vinous

2023 90 points

Wine Enthusiast

2023 92 points