BOUGETZ CELLARS

## *2025 BOUGETZ CELLARS RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY RESERVE CHARDONNAY*

### *WINEMAKER NOTES*

The 2025 Russian River Reserve Chardonnay is a single-vineyard wine sourced from Kent Vineyard in the Russian River Valley AVA. Frequent morning fog blankets the vineyard, encouraging a slow, steady ripening process that preserves the fruit's natural freshness and vibrancy. Aromas of lemon and crisp apple unfold over a core of vibrant minerality. Aged exclusively in French oak for 10 months, the wine develops a beautifully weighted mid-palate and a well-balanced finish, where bright acidity meets refreshing notes of lemon and apple. Versatile and food-friendly, this Chardonnay is an elegant expression of the Russian River Valley and a natural complement to a wide range of dishes.

### *HARVEST NOTES*

Budbreak occurred on schedule, marking the beginning of the 2025 growing season. A healthy fruit set in June, followed by warm summer weather, allowed the fruit to ripen to develop beautifully throughout the season. Influenced by the vineyard's proximity to the ocean, the fruit ripened gradually, allowing for optimal flavor development while maintaining freshness and balance. We harvested the vineyard in late September, completing the nighttime harvest on September 26.

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**Harvest date:** September 26th 2025

- Appellation: Russian River Valley
- Vineyard: Kent Vineyard
- Brix at harvest: 23.0
- Fermentation: 25% new French Oak, 75% used French Oak
- Aging: Aged 10 monthly in French oak, on the lees, stirred monthly
- Alcohol: 14.08%
- pH: 3.57
- TA: 5.29 g/L
- Bottled: July 2026
- Case production: 205 cases
- Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz
- Suggested retail: $39