

PEIRSON
MEYER
CHARDONNAY
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
SULLIVAN VINEYARD
2012

Production / Vineyard Notes

- Winemaker - Robbie Meyer
- Production: 195 cases
- Russian River Appellation
- Located near Graton
- Elevation 700 feet
- Vine Age - 40+ years
- 7 Acre Vineyard
- Goldridge Soils
- Gentle North Facing Slope
- Harvested in September 2012
- Barrel Fermented
- Wild Yeast Fermentation
- Malolactic Fermentation
- 45% New French Oak
- Barrel Aged 14 Months (sur lees)
- Bottled in December 2013
- \$44/bottle

Winemaker Notes

A new addition to our Chardonnay collection, the Sullivan Vineyard fits right in. Wonderful ripe pear and almond aromas intract with mineral notes of river stones, a light vanilla quality, and all-spice. There is an unmistakable creamy quality that carries through from the nose to the palate. The mouthfeel is rich and textured with a balancing acidity. This wine definitely coats the palate and the finish is long and persistent.

Sullivan Vineyard Notes

Warren Dutton planted this 7 acre vineyard in the 1970s using the Old Wente Clone without rootstock. Located near Graton the well drained Goldridge soil has kept these vines healthy and productive. On a gentle north facing slope that protects the fruit from the hot afternoon sun, the vines are trained on a vertical trellis (VSP).

VINOUS

by Antonio Galloni

The 2012 Chardonnay Sullivan Vineyard is all about grace. Subtle, layered and utterly impeccable, the 2012 impresses for its balance and textural finesse. Hints of almond, spice, lemon oil and tangerine are all laced together in the glass. What a gorgeous and utterly impeccable wine this is. Peirson Meyer has done a terrific job with their first Chardonnay from Sullivan. Stylistically, this is the most understated of the 2012 Chardonnays here. - 93 pts.

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