

Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley

Argot Wines

United States - California - Sonoma County

Simpatico Ranch was planted in 1974. Shallow volcanic soils on the gently-sloped, south-facing foothills of Bennett Peak on Bennett Valley's floor. One of (if not the) coolest Chardonnay vineyards in Sonoma County.

Inspired by Simpatico's textbook-perfect grapes, this wine is crafted using the traditional Meursault-inspired winemaking regimen—barrel fermented in French oak, full malolactic, extended elevage, sur lie aged on heavy lees, minimal sulfuring, finished in stainless steel—to create a brilliant, complex Chardonnay, with few peers.

WINEMAKER NOTES – Simpatico Ranch's winning streak continues! Consistent, low-drama vintages like 2019 play perfectly towards the vineyard's gnarly and knobbed 45-year old Chardonnay vines. This wine is pure pleasure. Key lime pie topped with toasted merengue floats out of the glass. Coating the palate is a rich and vibrant melon drizzled with orange blossom honey. Light on its feet, yet packed with flavor, each sip leaves you wanting more.

Specifications

Appellation	Sonoma County
Varietals	100% Chardonnay
Agricultural Practices	Sustainable
Soil type	shallow volcanic soils
Vinification	Night harvested by hand, whole-cluster pressed direct to barrel; no settling to ensure maximum lees contact. Barrel fermented on heavy lees. Malolactic fermentation. 20 months in French oak barriques (60% new). Racked to stainless steel tank 2 months before bottling. Bottled unfined, unfiltered.
Production	250 (9-liter cases)



Codes, Weights and Measures

UPC	7 84585 02492 6
Units/Case	12
Unit Size	750 mL
Container	bottle
SCC	1 07 84585 02492 3
Case Weight	42
Cases/Pallet	44
Layers/Pallet	11
ABV	14.20%
SRP	\$ 67.50 USD 750mL Bottle

Reviews and News

2019 Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley - 94 PTS - JD

2018 Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley - 96 PTS - JD

2015 Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley - 95+ PTS - WA