

Flanagan Chardonnay Russian River Valley

Flanagan Winery

United States - California - Russian River Valley

Grapes for this wine are sourced from several top Russian River Chardonnay sites including Platt Vineyard, Ritchie Vineyard and Bacigalupi Vineyard.

A typical day in Russian River begins with cool fog that fades by mid-morning as the warm sun transforms the vineyard into a warm, welcoming place buzzing with bees. In the late afternoon the ocean air sweeps in from the west cooling the vineyard down. Soils of clay and volcanic rock, carved into rolling hills by the Russian River, are the bass line to the melody played by the sun, wind and fog.

Flanagan Chardonnay RRV has an expressive nose that is typical of the Wente Clone of Chardonnay. The palate has an elegant mélange of stone fruit and ripe citrus flavors supported by understated barrel notes. The key to the wine is the bright acidity that ties everything together. This is a great example of what top Russian River Chardonnay sites can produce when wine making is focused on balance.

Specifications

Appellation	Russian River Valley
Varietals	100% Chardonnay
Soil type	clay and volcanic rock
Vinification	Chardonnay is barrel fermented, which helps create the beautiful texture in the wine. Aged 11 months in French oak barrels, with 41% new Francois Freres and Boutes.
Production	690 (9-liter cases)

