

# 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

<b>Appellation</b>	Sonoma County
<b>Varietals</b>	100% Chardonnay
<b>Agricultural Practices</b>	Sustainable
<b>Soil type</b>	shallow volcanic soils
<b>Vinification</b>	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 unfiltered, unfiltered.
<b>Production</b>	250 (9-liter cases)



## Codes, Weights and Measures

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