



2019 Marta Ella Vineyard  
Russian River Valley  
Chardonnay

**BENOVIA**  
*Winery*

**Harvest Notes:**

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**Winegrower Notes:**

We are very excited to release the second vintage of this single vineyard Chardonnay from our winery estate vineyard, named in honor of both Joe Anderson and Mary Dewane's mothers. We have planted four heritage clones of Chardonnay to express the precision and intensity of the varietal. The grapes are harvested by hand at night before being whole cluster pressed. After settling overnight, the juice fermented in French oak barrels with indigenous yeast. The wine was aged for 13 months before bottling.

**Tasting Notes:**

This second release of our Martaella Vineyard Chardonnay is bursting with aromas of Meyer lemon, white peach, and Honeydew melon. The multifaceted aromatics and dense mouth feel are knit together by centered acidity and a long, complex white peach finish. Barrel fermentation and oak aging for 13 months have added hints of candied ginger and baking spice that develops to a subtle minerality on the finish.

**Vineyard Sources:** Martaella Vineyard (Estate)  
**Harvest data:** August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>  
Alcohol 14.2%, pH 3.51, TA 0.59  
**Fermentation:** Whole Cluster pressed and fermented with indigenous yeast.  
**Cooperage:** 32% new French Oak  
**Bottling:** Spring 2021  
**Cases produced:** 217 cases  
**Release Date:** Summer 2021  
**Drinking Window:** 2-6 years of vintage



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**Winegrower Notes:**

This is now the third release of this spectacular single-vineyard Pinot Noir from our winery estate vineyard, named in honor of Joe Anderson and Mary Dewane's mothers. Only Heirloom Pinot Noir clones were chosen for this intense but delicate Pinot Noir. The grapes, harvested at night, were rigorously hand sorted prior to partial destemming and then berry selected before open top fermentation. With ideal fruit and stem maturity, we decided for the second year to ferment several clones with ~30% whole cluster for this vintage.

**Tasting Notes:**

Deep ruby in color, the vibrant raspberry, boysenberry, and baking spice aromas almost leap from the glass. On the palate the wines' juicy mouthfeel is supported by pomegranate and dark cherry, building through the mid-palate to fine grain tannins on the finish. With an intriguing blend of power and restraint, this Pinot Noir is both savory and delicately sweet.

<b>Vineyard Sources:</b>	Martaella Vineyard (Estate)
<b>Harvest data:</b>	September 5 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> Alcohol 14.3%, pH 3.62, TA 0.58
<b>Fermentation:</b>	Cold soaked for 6 days, indigenous yeast fermentation lasted for almost two weeks
<b>Cooperage:</b>	42% new French Oak
<b>Bottling:</b>	Spring 2021
<b>Cases produced:</b>	495 cases
<b>Release Date:</b>	Fall 2021
<b>Drinking Window:</b>	2-8 years of vintage