

2019 DUMOL WESTER REACH CHARDONNAY

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IMPRESSIONS

Our 2019 vintage of Wester Reach Chardonnay is a multi-layered interpretation of this classic region where we live and farm. It includes some of the greatest sites in the appellation—vineyards that we have planted, farmed, and harvested for close to twenty years. Comprising three of the region’s singular sub-districts, the wine blends fruit from the valley with vineyards that stretch westward toward the coolest “reaches” of the appellation’s high elevation coastal ridges. Each district contributes something unique, be it valley-floor richness, ridgeline density, or coastal vibrancy.

The broad orchard fruit generosity of our Flax Estate, located in the northern Middle Reach, centers the wine. We then layered in the trademark orange-tangerine intensity of old vine fruit from the iconic Ritchie Vineyard on the Laguna Ridge. Beyond the valley, approaching the coast, our DuMOL Estate is the wine’s foundation, contributing powerful citrus fruit and savory-mineral drive. Perched high on a ridgetop overlooking the Green Valley, the Morelli vineyard brings a lemon and honey supple texture. The crowning element, a parcel in the majestic Heintz Ranch, delivers sweet botanical and truffle-infused complexity.

Aromas are rich with oily intensity: white peach, tangerine, crystallized ginger, and hazelnut underpinned by an edge of steely mineral freshness. Stone fruits and deep citrus oil dominate the palate, broad and layered, full of intricate nuances. Tangy lemon curd and grapefruit notes combine with fresh acidity to bring energy and focus to the long, vibrant finish. Drink between Summer 2021 and 2025.

ANDY SMITH
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VINEYARD & WINEMAKING DETAILS

APPELLATION	RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
VINEYARDS	30% DUMOL ESTATE, 22% MORELLI, 16% FLAX ESTATE 16% CHARLES HEINTZ, 16% RITCHIE
CLONES	OLD WENTE, MT EDEN & CLONE 4
VINE AGE	5-47 YEARS
HARVEST DATES	HAND HARVESTED SEPTEMBER 2 ND THROUGH 27 TH
BARREL AGING	FERMENTED & AGED 11 MONTHS IN 30% NEW FRENCH OAK FOLLOWED BY THREE MONTHS SETTLING IN TANK. COMPLETE MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION.
ALCOHOL	14.1%
PRODUCTION	3,540 CASES OF 750ML



2020 DUMOL WESTER REACH PINOT NOIR

Our new Wester Reach Pinot Noir is a beautifully balanced and highly perfumed classical Russian River Pinot Noir—quintessential DuMOL.



Our 2020 Pinot Noir wines remind me most closely of one of my favorite recent vintages: 2015. These two seasons produced small crops that ripened early at moderate sugar levels but with full vine and grape maturity—all the ingredients for intensity, complexity, and longevity in bottle. Our new Wester Reach bottling is a beautifully balanced and highly perfumed classical Russian River Pinot Noir - quintessential DuMOL.

Our collection of Estate vineyards—our finest sources—dominate this five-vineyard blend. Flax overlooking the river on Westside Road is red fruited, structured, and full-bodied. A trio of Green Valley sites build the core of the wine. DuMOL Estate offers ripe black cherry fruits and woody complexity; MacIntyre is bright, floral, and tangy with purple fruit purity; Dutton layers-in broad soft texture and generous breadth. Our longtime Occidental Road vineyard, further east, deepens the wine with truffle sweetness and concentrated creamy red fruits.

The aromas are full of vitality: bright, intense, and pure: red and black cherry, and fresh raspberry, with tangy orange zest lift. There’s a sappy, freshly picked character to the wine’s fruit center - wild berries, spiced plum, and underbrushy sweetness. The wine deepens and expands across the palate as its layers unfold then changes course becoming sleek and mineral with a fine line of focused acidity and gravelly tannin. There’s a lovely echo of deep fruit on the finish. This is a wine that you can enjoy on release, but it also offers the potential for a decade of positive aging in bottle.

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING DETAILS

APPELLATION	RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
VINEYARDS	26% FLAX ESTATE, 20% DUMOL ESTATE, 20% MACINTYRE ESTATE, 18% OCCIDENTAL ROAD, 16% DUTTON RANCH.
CLONES	CALERA, SWAN, POMMARD & DIJON
VINE AGE	6-24 YEARS
HARVEST DATES	AUGUST 17 TH TO AUGUST 24 TH
BARREL AGING	AGED 12 MONTHS IN 25% NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS FOLLOWED BY THREE MONTHS SETTLING IN TANK
ALCOHOL	13.8%
PRODUCTION	3,700 CASES OF 750ML