

Cabernet Sauvignon
ELEVATED™



ROBERT CRAIG WINERY

2021 GAP'S CROWN VINEYARD CHARDONNAY

Though we are known as a cabernet house here at Robert Craig Winery, our single vineyard Chardonnay exemplifies our guiding philosophies as a producer: farming for intensity, minimal intervention in the winery, structure, and longevity. Our Gap's Crown Vineyard Chardonnay is without peer when it comes to vineyard site display in the finished wine. We are able to obtain enough fruit each year to produce a scant 250 cases of this linear, racy, mineral-laden Chardonnay from the top of the Petaluma Gap.

2021 was a perfect vintage on the Sonoma Coast with very low yields, terrific acid structure and elevated intensity of flavor in the fruit. The wine is so young and tight currently that it is just beginning to show the tangerine rind, stone fruit and mineral notes for which Bill Price's Gap's Crown Vineyard is known. The presence of a touch of new French oak gently influences the wine with a kiss of spice and roundness.



VINEYARD

- Gap's Crown Vineyard is situated on the southern end of Sonoma Mountain, sitting at the "crown" of the hillside.
- The 138-acre hillside vineyard has extremely stony soils and low yields.
- Known as "The Petaluma Gap," this area is a fog and breeze pocket unique in the Sonoma Coast.
- Cool temperatures, low pH values and high natural acidity produce wines of truly stunning vibrancy year after year.

VINTAGE

- After a dry, cold winter, the 2021 vintage in Sonoma County was moderate and consistent, leading to a smooth harvest.
- As in Napa Valley, drought conditions continued leading to variable yields from one vineyard to the next.
- 2021 was a perfect vintage all along the Sonoma Coast with very low yields, terrific acid structure and elevated intensity of flavor in the fruit.

BLEND 100% Chardonnay

HARVEST DATES 9/22/21

AVERAGE SUGAR NEED® Brix

TA 7.4 g/L **PH** 3.34

ALCOHOL 13.93%

AGING 8 mo. in 80% stainless steel, 20% French oak (80% neutral barrels)

BOTTLING DATE 7/1/22 & 7/5/22

CASES PRODUCED 250

PRICE CA SRP \$58.00