



# MURRIETA'S WELL

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Murrieta's Well is a California Certified Sustainable Vineyard and Winery. Less than 4% of all California wineries have received this certification.

## CHARDONNAY

LIVERMORE VALLEY

vin. 2019

### VINEYARD

This Chardonnay was exclusively sourced from our Ernest vineyard, which features an elevation range of 575-615 feet and is located directly west of our historic tasting room. The Chardonnay blocks picked for this wine are own-rooted. They are planted to clonal selections that have not left the property in over 100 years and have been selected for their impressive aromatic expression and concentration. We farm our vineyards acre by acre with the utmost care and attention to ensure optimal flavor intensity and fruit expression.

Chardonnay | Ernest Wente

### WINEMAKING

**FERMENTATION** | Barrel fermented in French oak barrels where the wine underwent malolactic fermentation. We employ both indigenous fermentations as well as using some cultured yeast strains.

**AGING** | This wine was aged sur lie in the same barrels they were fermented in for 14 months. Battonage was performed regularly to increase mouthfeel and complexity

### HARVEST

The varieties for this wine were picked in October 2019. The 2019 vintage was moderate to warm in the Livermore Valley, without any heat spikes. This allowed the fruit to get extra hang time on the vine, which brought out the fruit and floral qualities even more. Overall, we saw good yields, healthy fermentations and high quality wines.

### ROBBIE'S TASTING NOTES

Our Chardonnay features perfumed notes of spring flowers highlighted by aromas of ripe citrus and river stone minerality. Hints of creamy vanilla and crème brûlée add an amazing complexity to the wine. The wine has a smooth, even, and silky mouthfeel, and finishes with a beautiful focus. Enjoy now through 2033.

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VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Chardonnay

ALCOHOL | 13.80%

PH | 3.85

TA | 0.57g/100ml

BARRELS PRODUCED | 20

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