

KOSTA BROWNE ESTATE WINES

2018 Bootlegger's Hill Chardonnay

An Unmatched Treasure in Russian River Valley

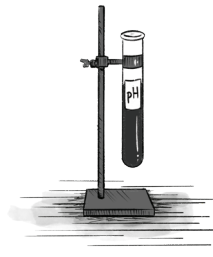
Like many of California's most celebrated vineyards in the iconic Russian River Valley, Bootlegger's Hill was once an apple orchard. The ranch has six varieties of Pinot Noir clones and features two blocks of Chardonnay planted in the region's hallmark sandy loam Goldridge soils, derived from an ancient seabed. The Chardonnay lies on the northern edge of the vineyard. This portion gently slopes toward a backdrop of redwoods, collecting cool air, and is the perfect location to grow this variety.

Though vines were first planted on the site in 2009, the bulk of the vineyard was planted the following year. Made exclusively from the famed Hyde clone of Chardonnay, this wine is lively and energetic with a show-stopping palate, gorgeous richness, and depth. Racy acidity complements the poise and purity of flavors, including vibrant grapefruit and lemon peel with captivating notes of minerality.

Fact of Note: Leaf plucking was done on the shaded side of the rows to allow for more sun exposure and even ripening.



45% new French oak



pH 3.29



ABV 13.9%

VINEYARD DETAILS

VINEYARD Bootlegger's Hill

CLONES Hyde

ORIENTATION North / East

TRELLISING VSP

SOIL Goldridge

TECHNICAL DETAILS

FERMENTATION 100% barrel

ÉLEVAGE 45% new French oak for 17 months, prior to bottling
100% stainless steel for 4 months

ALCOHOL 13.9%

pH 3.29

TA 7 g/L

TASTING NOTES

NOSE Lively aromas of grapefruit, lemon peel, and apricot leap from the glass while subtle impressions of caramel linger.

MOUTH Signature Bootlegger's Hill acidity with extreme freshness and tenacity paired with alluring richness and depth. A show-stopping palate.