

2018 Sonoma Coast
Genevieve's Block Chardonnay
94 Points *Jeb Dunnuck*

Genevieve's Block Chardonnay is a wine that excites us year after year. A unique nose and electric mouthfeel has become its trademark and we are always so eager to see what flavors and qualities each new vintage will take on.

With 2018 being the first non-drought vintage since 2013, a wet winter and spring led to a cool, even, and protracted growing season with no extreme heat waves. The 2018 vintage rewarded winemakers and will reward drinkers with elegant, bright, and fresh wines.

The 2018 Genevieve's Block Chardonnay opens with a vivacious combination of petrichor and wet river stone with orange blossom and honeydew. The palate has very balanced acidity, moreso than other vintages. Secondary aromas of underripe stone fruit, nectarine pith, freshly baked pastry, and pineapple flesh float from the glass.

Vineyard Notes:

Location

This block of Devoto Vineyard is on a west-facing hillside above the town of Sebastopol. The Chardonnay ripens slowly under the full weight of the Pacific Coast influence and produces a remarkably elaborate and elegant wine. The 900-some-odd vines that provide the fruit for this wine are a Donelan monopole.

Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak

34%

Composition

100% Chardonnay

Barrel Aging

10 months

Alcohol

14.2%

Bottling Date

July 2019

Production

212 cases

