



## 2015 CHARDONNAY

*North Coast*

### VINTAGE NOTES

In 2015 very poor spring weather produced extremely poor fruit set, which in turn led to unusually low crop yields. This was followed by a warm growing season. The combination of low crop yields and a warm year meant grapes tended to ripen at higher Brix levels and higher pHs.

The 2015 Riley's Rows Chardonnay North Coast is a wine that reflects ripeness and richness of the 2015 vintage.

We barrel ferment all our Chardonnay, which helps create the beautiful texture in our wines. In 2015, Riley's Rows Chardonnay North Coast, totaled only four barrels. Of the four barrels we selected for 2015 three of them were new. This means the barrel notes of vanilla, butterscotch, along with a hint of spice, are more prominent in this vintage.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2015 Riley's Rows Chardonnay North Coast has an expressive nose that encompasses both tropical fruits and barrel notes. The vintage character means that this wine shows a riper fruit profile. Pear and stone fruits like peach and apricot predominate rather than the citrus notes we typically see in cooler years.

### SPECS+TECHNOTES

HARVEST: 2015

APPELLATION: North Coast

ALCOHOL: 15.0%

PH: 3.49

TA: 5.68

FERMENTATION: 100% French oak barrel

CASES PRODUCED: 109

