

La Follette "Lorenzo" Russian River Chardonnay 2012

APPELLATION	Russian River Valley
CLONES	Heritage Chardonnay clone
FERMENTATION	Native yeast in French Oak Barrels
AGING	Sur lies with weekly, then monthly battonage
ALCOHOL	13.8%
PRODUCTION	305 cases

Lorenzo Vineyard, Russian River Valley

Intense perfume of brioche, wet stone and lemon meringue with a hint of white flower. The entry is textural with acidity and yellow fruit in the fore, broadening across the palate. Full bodied and layered, the wine finishes cleanly on a note of crushed rock. While this wine has a stronger malolactic signature than our other Chardonnays, it also maintains the lowest pH in the cellar, providing the mouthwatering acids that balance its extraordinarily rich texture.

Situated on the Santa Rosa plain, in the cradle of the Russian River Valley, the extraordinary Lorenzo Vineyard was planted in 1974 by John Bazzano and named for his Italian grandfather. John has employed the quadrilateral cordon trellis system to achieve balance in these robust vines, rooted in Huachica clay loam. The 10-acre site enjoys cooling Pacific Ocean fog in the mornings and evenings during the growing season.



94+ Points

