



# FLANAGAN

2015 CHARDONNAY, *Ritchie Vineyard*



APPELLATION Sonoma Coast

HARVEST DATE August 16, 2015

PH 3.3

TA 6.7

ALC 14.4%

BARREL REGIMEN aged 16 months in oak 50% new  
Francois freres barrels

CASES PRODUCED 289

RELEASE DATE March 21, 2017

## VINEYARD

The Ritchie Vineyard is one of the most famous Chardonnay sites in Sonoma County. The vineyard was planted in the early 1970's to a Wente clone of Chardonnay on AXR-1 rootstock. It was later discovered that AXR-1 was not phylloxera resistant and owner Kent Ritchie was told he would need to replant the vineyard. Forty years later the vineyard still produces world class fruit!

## TASTING NOTES

The 2015 Flanagan Chardonnay Ritchie Vineyard was barrel fermented in 50% new French oak and aged sur lies in barrel for 11 months before being transferred into a tank for a remaining 5 months. This wine is rich in texture with great acidity. The flavor profile shows ripe pear notes and the minerality unique to the volcanic soils of this legendary Sonoma County vineyard.