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Radian Vineyard Sta. Rita Hills CHARDONNAY

2021

2021 Three Jacks Vineyard Green Valley of the Russian River Valley CHARDONNAY

2021 Far Coast Vineyard Sonoma Coast CHARDONNAY

2021 Fog Dance Vineyard Green Valley of the Russian River Valley

**CHARDONNAY** 

2021 Jennifer's Russian River Valley CHARDONNAY

> 2021 Seascape Vineyard Sonoma Coast CHARDONNAY

2021 Sevens Bench Vineyard Los Carneros CHARDONNAY

> 2021 Stone Côte Sonoma Coast CHARDONNAY

2021 Marin CHARDONNAY

2021 Warrior Princess Block Zena Crown Vineyard, Oregon CHARDONNAY Pouring a golden yellow, the 2021 Chardonnay Radian Vineyard brings forward pure, fresh aromatics of candied lime citrus, well-managed oak spice, and wet stone. Medium bodied, with a cleansing mineral texture and fresh lift, it's fresh with green melon, bright acidity, a light saline note, and a hint of crushed earth. It's a very pretty style of white to hold or drink over the next 10 years.

A vibrant and pure Chardonnay with great energy, the medium gold 2021 Chardonnay Three Jacks Vineyard is lifted with flint and dusty earth, as well as lime zest, white pepper, and green apple. Medium-bodied, it has ripe, sweet fruit throughout, and a balanced, fresh feel. Offering remarkable evenness in its balance, with floral notes of white flowers and lemon curd continuing through to its long finish, this is my favorite of the whites in the lineup. Drink 2024-2032.

A ripe golden hue, the 2021 Chardonnay Far Coast Vineyard offers more broadness right away with its perfume of jasmine, ripe tropical fruit, toasted spice, and apricot. Full bodied, with a soft, viscous texture and notes of honeyed citrus and ripe salted pineapple, it's long on the finish, with a sunny, opulent feel. It's approachable now or over the next 6-8 years.

Taking a darker and savory tone aromatically, the 2021 Chardonnay Fog Dance Vineyard is a youthful yellow with a tinge of silver and lifts with notes of salty earth, hay, lime leaf, and mango skin aromas. This medium-bodied Chardonnay is ripe up front, with juicy melon followed by a nice spine of lemon-lime citrus on the finish and a more persistent sense of acidity. Give it another year and drink 2024-2032.

Medium yellow with a tinge of silver, the 2021 Chardonnay Jennifer's is ripe but has lift, with aromas of flint, yellow flowers, chamomile, and fresh yellow apple. Medium-bodied, with a driving, vibrant structure, it has more dryness and citrus tones on the palate, with Meyer lemon, smoky earth, and green apple skin. It's long on the palate, with a more linear feel. Drink 2024-2032.

Expressive aromas lift from the glass of the medium gold-colored 2021 Chardonnay Seascape Vineyard, with notes of fresh sea spray, melon rind, and fresh pear. Medium bodied, with a supple texture and a rounded feel, it delivers ripe apple, fresh white flowers, and a bit of mouthwatering freshness on the finish and has good acidity without being austere. Drink it over the next few years.

A more opulent style with a richer golden hue, the 2021 Chardonnay Sevens Bench Vineyard takes on more tropical ripe fruits in its notes of golden pineapple, baking spice, and orange zest. Full-bodied, with a rich yet clean, viscous texture, ripe peach, honeysuckle, and citrus oil, it's long on the palate and has nice balance. Drink it now or over the next 6-8 years.

The 2021 Chardonnay Stone Cote Vineyard is also a youthful golden hue, with aromas of fresh peach, flinty earth, and lemon rind. Full-bodied, it boasts a supple and soft texture, with round fruit up front and fresh lift on the finish. Offering up a luxurious feel on the palate, with well-managed notes of sweet baking spices, honeydew melon, and wet stone, it's long on the palate and has a good finish. Drink 2024-2030.

Medium gold with silver highlights, the 2021 Chardonnay Marin County is smoky and savory, with aromas of forest herbs, lemon candy, and ripe green apple. Medium-bodied, with vibrant acidity, more linear drive, and pleasant, mouthwatering freshness, its smoky perfume lasts on the finish, along with fresh herbs and a bit of salinity. Drink 2024-2030.

The first vintage of this wine, the 2021 Chardonnay Warrior Princess Block pours a youthful golden hue and offers woodsy aromas of fresh pine, smoky earth, lime zest, and ripe apple. Medium to full-bodied, with fresh, ripe fruit of honeyed lemon and fresh pineapple and a soft, stony texture, it's an attractive wine to drink over the next 6-8 years.



2021 Pouring a golden hue, the 2021 Chenin Blanc Jurassic Vineyard is fresh and expressive with JURASSIC VINEYARD ripe pineapple, wet stone, and yellow flowers. Medium to full-bodied, with an attractive soft SANTA YNEZ VALLEY texture, it's ripe and juicy with ripe yellow peach, orange pith, and fresh with a long, clean CHENIN BLANC finish. This is drinking well now, so drink it while it's young. 2021 The 2021 Pinot Noir Far Coast Vineyard pours a saturated ruby/purple color and has Far Coast Vineyard enveloping aromas of candied lavender, boysenberry preserve, and mentholated wooded **97** Sonoma Coast spices. Fleshy and full-bodied, its ripe tannins build into its broad structure, with PINOT NOIR mouthwatering salinity and notes of black cherry, turned forest floor, and cedar. This is a more robust wine to hold another couple of years and drink 2025-2040. 2021 The 2021 Pinot Noir MacLean's Block pours a ripe ruby color and is more reserved in MacLean's Block nature. It's smoky with delicate spice as well as aromas of charred rosemary, redcurrant, and **97** iron-rich earth. Medium to full-bodied, it offers a more linear approach, with a touch of RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR angularity and a fresh feel to its ripe tannins. With crunchy red cherry fruit, cedar, and a pleasing bit of salinity, I like this a lot for its vibrant energy. Drink 2024-2034. The 2021 Pinot Noir Arrendell Vineyard is expressive of sassafras, brambly wild berries, and 2021 toasted cedar. Full-bodied, with a lot of balance but no harsh edges, it has fresh acidity, an Arrendell Vineyard **96** RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY ultra-fine tannin structure, and a long, graceful finish, with candied roses, black raspberry PINOT NOIR liqueur, and dusty earth. A very attractive wine, it's drinking well now and will certainly be worth enjoying over the next 15 years. 2021 Deep ruby, the 2021 Pinot Noir Fog Dance Vineyard is savory and woodsy, slowly evolving in Fog Dance Vineyard the glass as it opens to notes of pine sap, black cherry preserve, eucalyptus, and dusty earth. 96 GREEN VALLEY OF THE Full-bodied, it boasts expansive fruit that fills the palate with fine tannins, a velvety texture, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY and a long finish, noted with a core of concentrated raspberry, turned soil, and spices on the PINOT NOIR finish. It's long on the palate, with a good freshness underneath to tie this otherwise very opulent wine together. Drink 2025-2040. A deep but transparent red, the 2021 Pinot Noir Jennifer's is a bit more reserved initially but 2021 JENNIFER'S opens to reveal raspberry liqueur, pine sap, and a bit of classic cola spice. Full-bodied, it offers 96 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY juicy fruit throughout, with fine tannins and fresh acidity that lifts it cleanly off the palate, PINOT NOIR with fresh berries as well as fresh forest herbs. It's attractive and charming now, with a lovely floral finish. Drink 2024-2036. 2021 Rich ruby with a purple hint, the 2021 Pinot Noir Docker Hill Vineyard is forward with Docker Hill aromas of ripe cherry, sage, and fresh pine. Medium-bodied, it's ripe with fruit on the palate **95** Mendocino County and has fine, sweet tannins and a clean finish. Fresh with wild herbs, violet, and mixed berries, PINOT NOIR elegant, and long, it's drinking well now and will drink well over the next 10 years. The ruby-hued 2021 Pinot Noir Seascape Vineyard is expressive in its floral and spicy perfume 2021 Seascape Vineyard of candied roses, wild cherry, and cinnamon spice. Medium-bodied, with fine tannins and bright acidity, it's ripe with fresh cranberry, orange zest, and smoky earth. It has a good, Sonoma Coast snappy finish, with wild forest herbs and a lightly musty note. Drink 2024- 2032.

> A medium ruby hue, the 2021 Pinot Noir Velvet Sisters is minty and fresh with ripe raspberry, menthol, cinnamon, and quinine. Medium-bodied, with a clean mineral feel, ripe dusty tannins, and notes of tangerine, grenadine, and fresh earth, it's a refreshing wine in the range. Drink 2024-2034.

> Medium ruby, the 2021 Pinot Noir Warrior Princess is lifted with wild herbs and spiced with clove, raspberry, and orange oil. Medium-bodied, it has fine tannins and fresh acidity throughout, with a bright and ripe nature, including notes of fresh herbs, grenadine, and lifted menthol. Drink 2024-2034.

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PINOT NOIR

2021 VELVET SISTERS RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR

2021 WARRIOR PRINCESS BLOCK ZENA CROWN VINEYARD, OREGON PINOT NOIR



<b>94</b> POINTS	2021 Muldune Trail Anderson Valley PINOT NOIR	Pouring a deep ruby, the 2021 Pinot Noir Muldune Trail is more extracted with kirsch, polished leather, lavender, and pine. Full-bodied, this is the most powerful wine in this lineup, while having a luxurious feel, a velvety texture, and plushness throughout. Offering notes of turned soil and wooded earth, with meaty berry fruit and black tea, it's a substantial wine but is well-made. Drink 2025-2040.
94 POINTS	2021 Sevens Bench Vineyard Los Carneros PINOT NOIR	The 2021 Pinot Noir Sevens Bench Vineyard is a rich ruby hue with a bit of purple tinge and delivers savory, ripe aromas of black cherry, iron-rich earth, and cracked pepper. Full-bodied, with ripe mixed blackberry and black raspberry fruit up front, sweet tannins and a hint of forest floor emerge, and it's ripe and spicy on the palate, with a long, juicy finish. Drink 2025-2035.
<b>94</b> POINTS	<mark>2021</mark> Truly Rita Sta. Rita Hills PINOT NOIR	Pure ruby in color, the 2021 Pinot Noir Truly Rita is spicy and expressive, with red cherry, cinnamon, and cedar. Medium-bodied, the palate is ripe with notes of orange, dusty earth, red berries, and a delicate salinity. Refreshing and clean, this is an attractive wine to drink over the next 6-8 years.
<b>93</b> POINTS	2021 Marin PINOT NOIR	Taking on a deeper ruby hue with an edge of youthful pink, the 2021 Pinot Noir Marin County moves into more violet, black raspberry, and fresh soil notes. Medium-bodied, with more richness on the palate, it offers notes of turned soil, tea leaf, juicy blackberries, and pressed flowers as well as ripe, sweet tannins. Rounder and more fruit forward, with a bit of a smoky finish, it's approachable now or over the next 8-10 years.
<b>96</b> POINTS	2021 Dina's Vineyard Russian River Valley ZINFNDEL	Similar in appearance to the Fanucchi-Wood Road Vineyard, the 2021 Zinfandel Dina's Vineyard boasts a woodsy tone, with aromas of wild medicinal herbs, pine sap, and black raspberry. Medium to full-bodied on the palate, this is another favorite for me in this range of Zin. Offering fresh mineral earth as well as notes of crunchy berries and ripe black cherries, it's dry and inviting, with fresh acidity, good tannin structure, and a more vertical mouthfeel. Allow it another year and drink 2025-2037.
<b>96</b> POINTS	2021 Highwire Vineyard Russian River Valley ZINFNDEL	I really love the perfume of the 2021 Zinfandel Highwire Vineyard, which has the scent of walking into the forest after a fresh rainfall. Pouring a saturated ruby-purple, notes of blackberry, candied raspberry, and forest herbs are followed by a medium to full-bodied red with a bit more linear and fresh spine of acidity. It packs in compelling structure, with fine tannins and a brightness to the fruit that is long on the palate, revealing notes of fresh peach, dusty soils, and sweet herbs. This may be my favorite of these Zinfandel offerings from Hartford.
94 POINTS	2021 Fanucchi-Wood Road Vineyard Russian River Valley ZINFNDEL	Deep purple with pink highlights, the 2021 Zinfandel Fanucchi-Wood Road Vineyard is highly aromatic in its floral perfume of candied violets, pink peppercorn, and black and blue berries. Full-bodied, with a meatiness to its texture, ripe tannins, and a fleshly mouthfeel, the palate is full of notes of dark black cherry as well as a plummy black inkiness and a hint of dark soil. Drink 2025-2035.
93 POINTS	2021 Hartford Vineyard Russian River Valley ZINFNDEL	The 2021 Zinfandel Hartford Vineyard pours a youthful and transparent purple, with more apparent oak spice as well as notes of toasted cedar, black cherry liqueur, and black licorice candy. With full body and rich extract, it has an inky texture, ripe, sweet tannins, and notes of mocha, leather, and blackberry compote that fill the palate. It is fleshy and full, with a round feel. Drink 2024-2034.
<b>93</b> POINTS	2021 Jolene's Vineyard Russian River Valley OLD VINE ZINFNDEL	The 2021 Zinfandel Jolene's Vineyard has a similar profile to the Winberrie Knolls Vineyard but amplifies it with more density in its notes of ripe blackberry liqueur, violets, and black pepper spice. With more opulence on the palate, ripe tannins, and a silky, coating mouthfeel, it reveals notes of mocha, black cherry, and turned earth. Allow another year for this to shed some of its baby fat and drink 2025-2035.



<b>93</b> POINTS	2021 Winberrie Knolls Russian River Valley ZINFANDEL	A saturated ruby, the 2021 Zinfandel Winberrie Knolls is highly aromatic with classic notes of ripe apricot, black raspberry, and candied flowers. Full-bodied and juicy, it delivers a fresh, preserved round of fruity mixed berries, mocha, fine tannins, and a touch of fresh earth on the finish. It's an attractive and juicy wine to drink over the next several years.
<b>96</b> POINTS	<mark>2018</mark> Outer Limits Sonoma Coast SYRAH	Taking things to the next level, the 2018 Syrah Outer Limits is highly aromatic and expansive in its aromas of pine sap, black cherry preserve, black pepper, and wild lavender. Full-bodied, it has good lift and fresh acidity, with more energy, and notes of olive brine, and charcuterie. This red offers classic appeal, with a good balance of fruity and savory elements. Drink 2023-2040.
<b>94 POINTS</b>	2017 Outer Limits Sonoma Coast SYRAH	An opaque purple, the 2017 Syrah Outer Limits is highly aromatic, with meaty, ripe, savory aromas of umami richness in its notes of soy spice, olive, blackberry, and plum. Fleshy and full-bodied, it has good lift and a weightless feel, with black plum, fresh sweet soil, and pressed violets. Give it another couple of years and drink 2025-2035.