



HARTFORD
COURT

RADIAN VINEYARD

STA. RITA HILLS • CHARDONNAY

2020

VINEYARD CHARACTER

The Sta. Rita Hills is situated in a transverse range, meaning the mountains lie east west and not north to south, like most mountain ranges on the Pacific Coast. Cold ocean winds and fog therefore easily travel into the valley and cools it down considerably. The vineyard is situated on the western edge of this unique AVA, on a dramatic, steep slope. Soils in the area are very poor, with elevated calcium levels due to an abundance of ancient sea creature fossils.

TASTING NOTES

The aroma opens with a beautiful citrus medley of lemon and lime, framed by subtle white flower notes. On the palate this elegant but subtly powerful wine showcases lemon oil with nuances of salty ocean air. The combination of cool climate and poor soils builds the complex, layered texture and lively acidity.

WINE STATISTICS

Oak:	100 % French oak; 17% new
Time in oak:	15 months
Yeast:	Native
Alcohol:	14.1%
TA:	5.8 g/L
pH:	3.38
Cases produced:	97
Unfined and unfiltered	



HISTORIC ACCLAIM

2019:	96 points	J.D., <i>JebDunnuck.com</i> , August 2022
2019:	95 points	E.B., <i>Robert Parker Wine Advocate</i> , July 2022
2019:	91 points	M.K., <i>Wine Enthusiast</i> , July 2022
2018:	94 points	A.G., <i>Vinous</i> , July 2021
2018:	95+ points	L.P.B., <i>Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate</i> , January 2021
2017:	94 points	L.P.B., <i>Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate</i> , February 2020
2017:	90 points	A.G., <i>Vinous</i> , April 2020