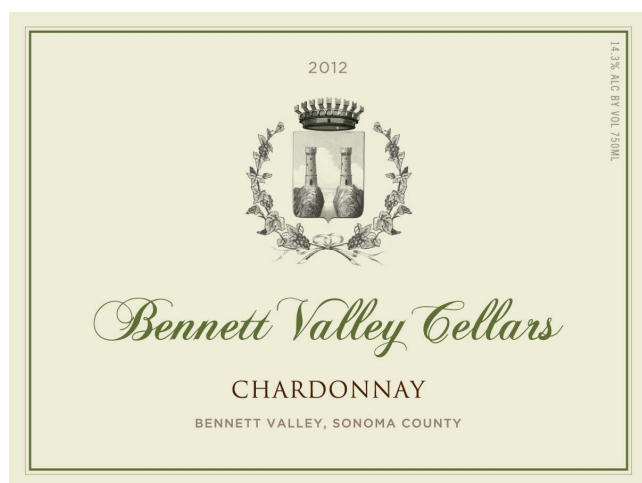




Bennett Valley Cellars

2013 Estate Chardonnay

Bennett Valley, Sonoma County



Nestled in the pristine Bennett Valley appellation in Sonoma County, Bennett Valley Cellars farms 40 acres of estate Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Our well-drained alluvial (volcanic) soils and fog-cooled climate create an ideal growing environment for producing world-class wines. The result is wine with flavors and aromatic characteristics unique to this beautiful valley.

Bennett Valley Cellars began its journey 60 years ago in the Veneto region of Italy. Young Emilio Zanin eagerly worked in his grandfather's vineyard before and after school, where he learned to love the hard work necessary to make fine wine. Coming to the United State in 1969, Emilio and his family have accomplished their life-long ambition of having their own vineyard.

The vintage:

2013 was a superb growing season in Bennett Valley. A wealth of sunshine and consistently warm days and cool nights gave fruit ample time to develop full, rich, ripe flavors with great balance.

The wine:

A hallmark of the Rued Clone of Chardonnay on the estate's Simpatico Ranch, this wine has expressive aromas of Meyer lemon, tropical guava and a hint of lime. The French oak adds notes of Crème Brûlée and sweet toffee on the nose. On the palate, layers of tangerine, mango and pear are framed with subtle hints of toasty oak, vanilla and spice. The mouth-watering acidity gives the wine balance on the palate as the flavors linger with a clean finish. This food-versatile wine pairs well with baked halibut, lobster bisque and fine cheeses.

Alcohol by Volume: 13.9%

pH: 3.46

Total Acidity: 5.7 g/L

Barrel-aging—16 months in French oak