

2023

'COUP DE CŒUR'

SONOMA COAST CHARDONNAY

Each vintage, the tasting of individual lots of Chardonnay reveals a strictly limited number of barrels with truly outstanding features. These selected barrels are then judiciously blended to compose this magnificent cuvée. Handcrafted using classical Burgundian winemaking techniques, this wine represents our 'Heart's Astonishment' or 'Coup de Cœur.'



Proprietary name 'Coup de Cœur'
Name meaning Heart's Astonishment
Varietal composition Chardonnay

Type of wine Cuvée of best barrels

Appellation Sonoma Coast

Vineyard singularity Fort Ross-Seaview & Russian River Valley

Goldridge and volcanic soils

Typical harvest date October

Picking Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated

truck

Sorting Cluster-by-cluster

Fermentation In barrel through native yeast

 Upbringing
 14 months in French oak barrels from

selected artisan coopers

Malolactic

Sur lies with bâtonnage Unfined, unfiltered

Ideal cellaring 3 to 5 years after harvest date

Arc of aging 15 to 20 years

Bottling

Serving 55-59°F (13-15°C); Decant when served

young

TASTING NOTES

"The 2023 'Coup de Cœur' sails out with opulent notes of allspice, candied ginger, and honeysuckle, giving way to a core of pineapple upside-down cake, cedar, and apple butter. The full-bodied palate is built like a brick house with a solid backbone of acidity supporting the densely packed orchard and tropical fruit layers, finishing with epic length and incredible texture."

99 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW The Wine Palate, July 2025

"The 2023 'Coup de Cœur' is focused on the nose with notes of lime oils, delicate flinty crushed stones, tarragon, green apples, and a fresh savory feel, with its delicate backing spice and oak spice framing the wine gently. It's full-bodied, with vibrant acidity weaving through the wine. It has a supple texture and a long, expressive feel, with mouthwatering, fantastic length through the finish. This incredible and complete wine floats away slowly, with a stony texture tying things together."

98 points Audrey Frick JebDunnuck.com, July 2025

