

# FOPPIANO

VINEYARDS

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

DELLA'S BLOCK  
RESERVE CHARDONNAY

v. 2018



**VINEYARDS:** Located just south of Healdsburg, Foppiano Vineyards sits on 160 acres in the acclaimed Russian River Valley. Cool morning fog and warm summer days create an ideal microclimate for grape growing. The Foppiano family has been producing world class fruit on this land since its purchase in 1896. Today, the vineyards are planted with Petite Sirah, Zinfandel, and Sauvignon Blanc on the warmer bench lands, and Pinot Noir and Chardonnay on the cooler land close to the Russian River.

**WINEMAKING:** The Della's Block Chardonnay represents our version of a reserve wine. We choose the chardonnay lot that shows the most complexity of aromas and flavors and that most precisely represents our estate. This wine historically stands out with its viscous mouth feel and age ability. Barrel fermented and aged in 50% new French oak barrels for 16 months. The wine is allowed to stay on lees – unstirred. The longer barrel age and lees contact accentuates the richer flavors and textures making this a true reserve wine.

**TASTING NOTES:** Beautiful, star-bright, pale gold color. Scents of Meyer lemon curd, honeysuckle, vanilla, white tea and lemon balm on the nose. The palate starts creamy and voluptuous with notes of brioche, beeswax and chamomile leading into golden delicious apple skin, lemon mint and fresh ginger on the bright, lingering finish. Delicious and snappy, this would pair well with a wide variety of chicken or pork dishes.

**HARVEST DATES:** Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 2018

**ALCOHOL pH 3.45 TA 6.2 g/L RS 1.4 g/L**

**CELLARING:** 50% New French Oak for 16 months

**BOTTLED:** APRIL 2020

**CASES PRODUCED:** 112

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