

# Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley

## Argot Wines

### United States - California - Sonoma County

Simpatico Ranch was planted in 1974. Shallow volcanic soils on the gently-sloped, south-facing foothills of Bennett Peak on Bennett Valley’s floor. One of (if not the) coolest Chardonnay vineyards in Sonoma County.

Inspired by Simpatico’s textbook-perfect grapes, this wine is crafted using the traditional Meursault-inspired winemaking regimen—barrel fermented in French oak, full malolactic, extended elevage, sur lie aged on heavy lees, minimal sulfuring, finished in stainless steel—to create a brilliant, complex Chardonnay, with few peers.

WINEMAKER NOTES – Simpatico Ranch’s winning streak continues! Consistent, low-drama vintages like 2019 play perfectly towards the vineyard's gnarly and knobbed 45-year old Chardonnay vines. This wine is pure pleasure. Key lime pie topped with toasted merengue floats out of the glass. Coating the palate is a rich and vibrant melon drizzled with orange blossom honey. Light on its feet, yet packed with flavor, each sip leaves you wanting more.



| Specifications         |  |
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| Appellation            | Sonoma County  |
| Varietals              | 100% Chardonnay  |
| Agricultural Practices | Sustainable  |
| Soil type              | shallow volcanic soils   |
| Vinification           | Night harvested by hand, whole-cluster pressed direct to barrel; no settling to ensure maximum lees contact. Barrel fermented on heavy lees. Malolactic fermentation. 20 months in French oak barriques (60% new). Racked to stainless steel tank 2 months before bottling. Bottled unfined, unfiltered. |
| Production             | 250 (9-liter cases)  |

| Codes, Weights and Measures |                              |
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| UPC                         | 7 84585 02492 6              |
| Units/Case                  | 12                           |
| Unit Size                   | 750 mL                       |
| Container                   | bottle                       |
| SCC                         | 1 07 84585 02492 3           |
| Case Weight                 | 42                           |
| Cases/Pallet                | 44                           |
| Layers/Pallet               | 11                           |
| ABV                         | 14.20%                       |
| SRP                         | \$ 67.50 USD<br>750mL Bottle |

| Reviews and News   |
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| 2019 Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley - 94 PTS - JD |

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| 2018 Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley - 96 PTS - JD  |
| 2015 Argot Simpatico Ranch Chardonnay Bennett Valley - 95+ PTS - WA |