

VINEYARD

Planted in 2008 by vineyard manager Ulises Valdez, El Diablo vineyard sits on a ridge above Eastside Road in Russian River Valley. Early in their relationship, he told the Senses team that "when you work hard, the fruit always tastes better." That holds very true for El Diablo.

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"From a site that's partially named after the renowned grower Ulises Valdez, it's also known as Eastside Vineyard (Aubert) and just El Diablo by others (Arista, KB, etc). As with the other Chardonnay here, it was barrel fermented and spent 14 months in 25%-40% new French oak. Beautiful buttered orchard fruits, honeysuckle, green almond, pear, and crushed stone notes are just some of the nuances here, and this complex, full-bodied Chardonnay has nicely integrated acidity, a layered, multi-dimensional texture, flawless balance, and a great finish. This is another magical Chardonnay from the team that does everything right. Enjoy bottles over the coming 5-7 years." – 97pts, Jeb Dunnuck

Appellation: Russian River Valley Varietal: 100% Chardonnay

ALCOHOL: 14.4% | RELEASE PRICE: \$80 AGING: 100% FRENCH OAK; 30% NEW; 14 MTHS