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CALIFORNIA

CHATEAU POTELLE

**RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY, SONOMA
COUNTY**

LES FOURMEAUX WHITE



The History

Chateau Potelle was born when we moved from France in 1980, to be part of the California winemaking adventure. We wanted to be creative in making wine rather than being constrained by the years of traditions that existed in France. At the beginning, we found California wines to be too ripe and rich, very bold, and way too oaky. Soon we realized that a culinary revolution was taking place! The food that was being created by the young American chefs was more delicate and refined - the ingredients were respected and celebrated. The marriage of quality and simplicity eliminated the need for the "gravy" cover up. In food and in wine, less is more. Alas, we were on the same page!



The Grape

100% CHARDONNAY

Tasting Note



Near perfect growing conditions in 2016 created a wine of great complexity. Intense aromas of freshly baked brioche, peach blossoms, candied orange, marzipan, lemon oil, yellow peach and dried apricots. Notes of vanilla, toasted hazelnut, lemon custard with meringue and subtle white truffle interact to complete a multi-layered and very intense bouquet. In the mouth, the texture is ample and creamy while remaining balanced with a lingering mineral finish. Approachable now, the wine will reward several years of cellaring and continue to develop for years, much like its Burgundian cousins from Corton-Charlemagne.

40% concrete egg 30% new French oak barrels (Cadus & Meyrieux) 30% stainless steel barrel

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