

## 2014 Chardonnay, Gap's Crown Vineyard, Sonoma Coast

Case Production: 212 SRP: \$55

Gap's Crown is one of the highly acclaimed Sonoma Coast Vineyards. Perched on the western edge of Sonoma Mountain at as much as 840 ft. above sea level, the vineyard takes advantage of the steep Sonoma Mountain hillside. When Anne samples the vineyard it reminds her of the Rhine Valley.

Closest Town: Petaluma

Rootstock: Riparia Glorie

AVA: Sonoma Coast

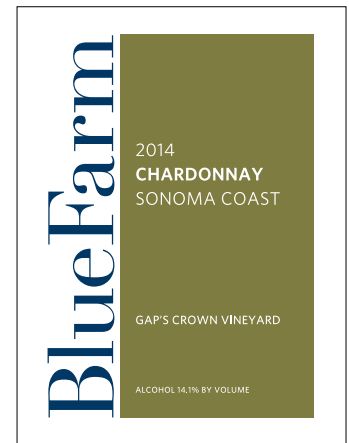
Soil Type: Brown Clay Loam & Goulding Series

Varietal: Chardonnay

Row Orientation: East/West

Planted: Early 2000s

Clone(s): Dijon 75



### The Vintage

"The growing season was very even, late winter rains helped to set up healthy shoot growth after a very dry 2013. The mild spring got the season started. 2014 was an early year, but without any heat spikes, it continued evenly during the summer months, giving us beautiful intensity void of the tight tannins of the 2013 vintage. The wines were a little slow to develop in barrel, not really showing how nice they were until later than usual. Tannins are lower than in 2013, as are alcohol levels, but the wines have plenty of power. Don't underestimate the quiet beauty, these wines have power and elegance. The wines are opening up earlier and are drinking delicious."

– Anne Moller-Racke

Vintage: 2014

Malolactic Fermentation: none

Harvest Date: September 6th

Barrel Program: 30% New Tight Grained French Oak, Siruge & Cadus

Harvest Brix: 23.3

Bottling Date: March 2016

Harvest pH: 3.35

Bottling % Alcohol: 14.1%

Harvest TA: 7.5 g/L

Case Production: 212

% Whole Cluster: 100%

SRP: \$55.00

Days in Tank: 24 Hours for Chilling and Settling

Type of Tank: Stainless Steel

### Blue Farm

Founded on Anne Moller-Racke's 30-plus years of winegrowing in Sonoma, Blue Farm was conceptualized in 2001 during her planting of Anne Katherina, Blue Farm's first estate vineyard. Blue Farm believes that an intimate understanding and connection to our vineyards is core to making site-specific Chardonnay and Pinot Noirs of the highest quality.

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