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Our estate single-vineyard Bentrock, Radian and Puerta del Mar wines are incredibly specific. They magnify singular flavors that exist on each particular site and are focused on a particular plot of soil. These wines zoom in on one specific set of parameters. They are ultimate wines of terroir.

Matt Dees, Winemaker Notes:

Earthy, herbal, spice-driven and full of stone fruit. Early season nectarine, truffle honey and golden Russett apple. This has the consistent power and density that is a hallmark of this hallowed vineyard. Honeysuckle and white peach. Juicy Anjou pear alongside a savory and chalky structural backbone. Gunflint and a touch of vanilla bean alongside lifted jasmine and chervil. Packed with energy and still very early in development. Perhaps the most inward and age worthy Bentrock to date. Unfurls slowly in the glass giving glimpses of its future potential. The texture and silky sensuality of this wine become very clear on days 2 and 3.

Bentrock Vineyard Chardonnay

CASES: 742
 APPELLATION: Sta. Rita Hills
 VINE AGE: 16 years
 ALCOHOL: 13.5%
 BLOCKS: Lieu Dits- 52% Rock Garden (cl. 76), 34% Red Earth Blocks (cl. 95), 9% Shale Plateau (cl. 76), 5% The Spine (cl. 96)
 BARREL REGIME: 45% new French oak barrels, 55% once and twice used barrels for 11 months followed by 6 months in stainless tank with full lees.

97 Points Antonio Galloni
Vinous

95 Points Jeb Dunnuck
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98 Points Johnathan Cristaldi
Cristaldi & Co



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