



SARALEE'S VINEYARD 2021 MARSANNE ROUSSANNE

Crisp and Vibrant.

*"On the nose, aromas of lemon, **PEAR**, and hints of crushed herb are followed by flavors of beeswax, pomelo, and **APRICOT**. Complemented on the palate by undertones of flinty minerality."*

CRAIG McALLISTER, WINEMAKER



THE STATS:

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| Appellation: | Russian River Valley |
| Composition: | 75% Marsanne 25% Roussanne |
| Type of Oak: | 100% in neutral French puncheons |
| Alcohol: | 13.9% |
| T.A.: | 6.0 g/L |
| pH: | 3.39 |

Our original name, La Crema Vinera, means "best of the vine," setting the standard for all we do since 1979. Our family-owned and operated winery focuses exclusively on cool-climate appellations. We're continually exploring these very special regions — passionate in our belief that they make uniquely expressive and elegant wines.

A REMARKABLE PLACE

Located in the heart of the Russian River Valley, Saralee's Vineyard comprises some 200 acres of vines, six of which are planted to Marsanne and Roussanne. Eight different soil types can be found here, most are free draining sandy/gravelly loams.

*It's one of the world's best cool-climate appellations.
It's a place for La Crema.*

EXCEPTIONAL GRAPES

Sonoma County had an excellent growing season in 2021. A relatively dry winter exacerbated drought conditions and resulted in a much lighter crop compared to average. Spring was relatively cold and peppered with freeze events both pre and post bud break. A warm dry summer provided ideal growing and ripening conditions mostly in the absence of extreme heat spells. The heat did arrive early to mid August and drove early ripening in the Russian River Valley. Our 2021 Saralee's Vineyard Marsanne Roussanne harvest began on October 6th.

ARTISAN WINEMAKING

Our boutique, hands-on techniques continued into the winery.

The grapes are gently pressed, then fermented at cool temperatures in neutral French puncheons. Finished wines are left on light lees for 6-7 months prior to blending.