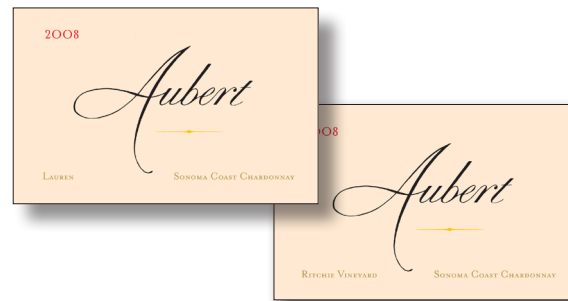




EXTRAORDINARY, EXTREMELY LIMITED SINGLE-VINEYARD WINES



Chardonnay & Pinot Noir

Mark Aubert's single-vineyard Chardonnay and Pinot Noir are among the most celebrated examples of the varietals. Stellar quality and minuscule production necessarily limit distribution.

"In only a handful of years, Mark Aubert, who received impeccable training at Peter Michael winery, working under Helen Turley, as well as at Colgin and Bryant Family Vineyards, has produced mind-boggling wines under his own label... His 2008s are candidates for the wines of the vintage, no doubt because of the extraordinarily low yields (his smallest crop to date). This has given the wines an extra level of concentration, which is saying something given the levels of richness achieved in previous vintages. The 2007 Chardonnays confirm the greatness I predicted for them from barrel in 2008. While this was a small crop for Aubert, it was not nearly as tiny as 2008." (Robert M. Parker, Jr.)

CHARDONNAY RITCHIE VINEYARD

RMP on the 2009: (94-96 pts) "The 2009 Chardonnay Ritchie Vineyard offers up notes of lemon blossom, crushed rocks, orange marmalade, white currants and quince. This deep, full-bodied, rich wine with laser-like precision is more delicate and ethereal than the blockbuster 2008."

RMP on the 2008: (93-95+ pts) "a stunning bouquet of orange blossoms, creme brulee, lemon custard, and citrus oil. Additionally, it has terrific acidity, fabulous concentration, and a full-bodied mouthfeel with unbelievable freshness and length."

RMP on the 2007: 97 pts "The 2007 Chardonnay Ritchie Vineyard reveals superb minerality and acidity, a laser-like precision, a light green/straw color, a steely, full-bodied mouthfeel, and plenty of orange blossom, lemon oil, creme brulee, and honeysuckle notes."

CHARDONNAY LAUREN VINEYARD

RMP on the 2008: (96-99 pts) "The tightest, most backward of this quartet, it exhibits surprisingly high acidity as well as remarkable concentration and extract. Again, it reveals a liquid minerality intertwined with citrus oil, orange blossom, and brioche notes."

PINOT NOIR RITCHIE VINEYARD

Aubert's first Pinot Noir vintage from this celebrated vineyard, the 2009 Ritchie is a profound and pure expression of Pinot delivering the single-vineyard style that has become Aubert's calling card: powerful, distinctive, terroir-essentializing expressions with complex aromatic profiles reminiscent of the greatest Côte de Nuits locations.

PINOT NOIR UV VINEYARD

RMP on the 2008: (94-96 pts) "The powerful, earthy 2008 Pinot Noir UV Vineyard exhibits more mossy, forest floor, mushroomy notes intermixed with blue and black fruits as well as hints of camphor and smoky barbecued meats."

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