

KANZLER

FAMILY VINEYARDS

Kanzler Vineyards located in Sebastopol, CA specializes in growing, and producing small lots of traditionally crafted Pinot Noir from the cool, sunny hills of western Sonoma County in the Sonoma Coast AVA and Chardonnay from the world renowned Russian River Valley AVA.

Kanzler Vineyards began in 1996 as the dream of Stephen and Lynda Kanzler. The Estate Vineyard which is dedicated to Pinot Noir, was planted in 1996 in a former apple orchard near the town of Sebastopol, CA. The vineyard quickly developed a reputation for producing world class Pinot Noir fruit featured in award winning wines from some of the finest wineries in Northern California.

Kanzler Russian River Valley Chardonnay is sourced from small, family-run vineyards near the towns of Graton and Forestville in the heart of the Russian River Valley appellation. Our Chardonnay is dedicated to those farmers whose hard work makes it possible for us to craft a Chardonnay uniquely representative of this great winegrowing region.

Renowned for the consistency and quality of its Pinot Noir and Chardonnay bottlings, each year Kanzler Vineyards wines sell out practically as soon as they are released.

PHILOSOPHY

Our overall philosophy can be simply stated; great wine begins in great vineyards. That's where it all starts, because it takes the very best grapes to make the best wine. So we take care in choosing the vines from which we make our wine, selecting specific rows and specific clones from each vineyard.



Alex Kanzler
Winemaker

The star of our winemaking team is the Kanzler estate vineyard. However, it's the care and craft of winemaker Alex Kanzler that makes great fruit into great wine. Alex grew up in the vineyard, still lives there and personally supervises the care and feeding of the vines. He honed his winemaking skills working at premium Pinot producers in CA, OR and New Zealand. His philosophy is to allow the vines to do their work and produce grapes with concentrated, ripe, flavors. Then let traditional wine making techniques, time and good French oak work their magic with only as much intervention as necessary to ensure consistency and quality.