



The 2022's Cattleya Wines from Sonoma

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES CHARDONNAY CUVEE NUMBER FIVE

Coming from two sites at almost 1300 feet elevation, the 2022 Chardonnay Cuvee Number Five saw 11 months in barrel. In the glass, it pours a bright yellow hue with a green tinge and is pure on the nose, with notes of pineapple, candied lime, wet stone, almond, and delicate flint. Medium to full-bodied, it's silky and refined on the palate, with a fantastic, weightless feel. While it's ripe, it's fully dry and very well-styled to drink over the next 6-8 years.

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES CHARDONNAY BEYOND THE THRESHOLD

The bright sliver/yellow-hued 2022 Chardonnay Beyond The Threshold is sourced from the Sun Chase Vineyard in the Petaluma Gap and tends to have brighter acidity compared to the Cuvee Number Five. In the glass, it's zesty and fresh out of the gate, with focused notes of lemon verbena, green apple, flint, crushed stone, and lime blossoms. Medium to full-bodied, it has a lovely linear feel, with delicious concentration and purity as well as a long finish, and it's going to have a wide window for enjoyment 2024-2034.

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES CHARDONNAY THE TEMPTRESS

Pouring a slightly deeper yellow/green hue, the 2022 Chardonnay The Temptress offers more opulence and decadence on the nose, with notes of ripe peach, melon, wild flowers, honeyed citrus, and a hint of sweet baking spice. Full-bodied, it is generous but keeps a cinched frame through the palate. With lush texture and a clean finish, it's long on the palate and is going to drink well over the coming 8-10 years.

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

A ripe ruby hue, the 2022 Pinot Noir Russian River Valley comes from The Wedding Block Vineyard, owned by the Martinelli family and located right outside the winery. The nose is spicy with notes of saffrafrs, ripe cherries, wild herbs, peppery spices, and woody earth. Medium to full-bodied, it's generous and supple on the palate, with a ripe, approachable feel that never feels heavy. It has good length and a lot of classic charm. Drink 2024-2030

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES PINOT NOIR SONOMA COAST

A youthfully ripe magenta color, the 2022 Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast has a lovely floral and pure, fruity nose, offering notes of raspberry coulis, fresh violets, wet stones, and fresh mossy earth. Medium-bodied, it has very fresh focus in this vintage as well as a lovely, silky feel and fantastic balance. It's going to drink well over the next 8-10 years. This is a step up for me compared to Russian River Valley Pinot.

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES PINOT NOIR BELLY OF THE WHALE

The 2022 Pinot Noir Belly Of The Whale is sourced from Dijon clones from the Sun Chase Vineyard, the highest rocky site they work with, where the vines struggle to grow. In the glass, it pours a ripe magenta with a light purple tone and offers a more complex, concentrated profile into its notes of wild black raspberries, violets, pine needles, sous bois, and dark stones. Medium-bodied, it brings more intensity to the palate and has great freshness and a long finish. Polished, very well-styled, and layered but not heavy, it's going to be long-lived for this vintage. Very well done. Drink 2026-2037.

**96
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2022 CATTLEYA WINES PINOT NOIR THE GODDESS

The 2022 Pinot Noir The Goddess pours a deep magenta color with a touch of purple and comes from a remote vineyard farmed by Paul Hobbs at 500-600 feet elevation close to the ocean. In the glass, it takes on gorgeous notes of raspberry liqueur, pressed flowers, and fresh forest earth, all very pure and refined. It's fantastic on the palate, with a plush, refined texture, a medium to full-bodied feel, and an exceptionally long finish. It's darn good now but will drink well over the next 10-15 years.

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES SYRAH THE REWARD

The 2022 Syrah The Reward is sourced from high-elevation vines at the Pisoni Estate that winemaker Bibiana González Rave brought as cuttings from Côte Rotie. It pours an inky purple/black color and is spicy and layered with notes of white pepper, pancetta, blackberries, red plum, licorice, and wild herbs. Medium to full-bodied, it has more structure, with ripe tannins, a mouthwatering feel, and a long, savory, balanced finish. It deserves time in the cellar, but it's an exceptional wine. Drink 2027-2040.

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2022 CATTLEYA WINES SYRAH THE INITIATION

The 2022 Syrah The Initiation is compelling on the nose, lifting with notes of dark wet stones as well as blackberries, pepper oils, lavender, and black olives, all so well intertwined. Medium to full-bodied on the palate, it has a silky texture, with sweet tannins (although it's fully dry), and has a precise feel, with delicate, mouthwatering saline and fresh acidity. Drink it over the next 10-12 years.

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