

# Wine & Spirits

## Year's Best US Chardonnay

### 92 | Jordan

**2019 Russian River Valley Chardonnay** Rob Davis retired from his four-decade post as founding winemaker at Jordan in September of 2019, when Maggie Kruse stepped up to the role, so this is one of the last wines they made together. This chardonnay impressed our panel for its flavors of fresh pears just coming into ripeness—"What I'm looking for," said Tim Buzinski of the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park. "The fruit is abundant but very mild." The wine's toastiness comes more from lees than directly from oak, the pear and apple flavors mouthwatering and oceanic in their salinity. Completely dry, with lovely richness. —*Reviewed by Joshua Greene.*

