Taft Street

2018 PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

Aromas of mocha and bing cherry lead to fruit forward flavors of black cherry, blueberry, and plum. A wonderful balance of Russian River Valley fruit and integrated French Oak flavors linger on the palate. The result is a very elegant and enjoyable example of Pinot Noir from the Russian River Valley.

VINIFICATION

Following a five day cold soak, the grapes were yeasted and open-top tank fermented at cool temperatures. Multiple daily punchdowns allowed for color and flavor extraction. The must was then pressed to barrel for 10 months in 100% French oak.

VINEYARD LOCATION

The grapes for this wine come from two well known Russian River Valley vineyards: the Skikos Vineyard (Clone 667) on Piner Road, and the Winkler Vineyard (Clone 23) north of the winery on Green Valley Road.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The 2018 season started slowly with little pressure from weather extremes, allowing for a long hang time developing ripeness and flavor. Temperate warm days and cooler nights enabled optimal brix and pH.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Russian River Valley Pinot Noir

COOPERAGE 30% New French Oak

TOTAL CASES MADE 1039 cases ALCOHOL 14.1% BOTTLIN

HARVEST DATE September 20 & October 3, 2018 **BOTTLING DATE** July 18, 2019

