



2019 PINOT NOIR

*Russian River Valley
Sonoma County*

With a medium garnet color and aromas of bing cherry, this Sonoma County Pinot Noir is velvety smooth with ripe blackberry flavors. A splash of syrah adds to the mid-palate excitement, introducing hints of mocha and pepper. The result is an approachable red that can serve double-duty as not only a pleasing happy hour pour, but also a weeknight dinner table accoutrement.

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 three well known Russian River Valley vineyards. This vintage features Dutton Ranch's Dutton Winkler North Block, from the Dutton Ranch, Jackson Family Saralee's Block 24A, and Piner Block, as well as Art Ibleto's Bella Sonoma Vineyard in the southern portion of the Russian River Valley.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The 2019 season brought heavy rain to the Russian River Valley during the winter months, followed by cool temperatures and an extended growing season. This allowed the grapes to mature more gradually and ripen with slightly lower sugar levels, amazing flavor profiles and bright acidity.

VINTAGE INFO

678 cases produced
20% New French Oak
Alc 14.9%
Harvest: September 25 - October 10, 2019
Bottled July 10, 2020

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