



PAPAPIETRO
PERRY

2018

NUNES VINEYARDS

Russian River Valley

P I N O T N O I R

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Located on the last of Russian River Valley's alluvial bench with its silty clay loam soil, Nunes Vineyard provides us perfectly ripened 115, 667, 777 clonal grapes vintage after vintage. The valley's renowned fog is a natural cooling system influencing from two directions, the Pacific Ocean from the West, and San Francisco Bay from the South, the perfect condition for a long cool growing season. Fred and Wendy Nunes combine a passion for growing Pinot Noir with a comprehensive knowledge of their vineyard and the science that drives it. Between Mother nature and the Nunes', this vineyard has all the components we need to produce stellar Pinot Noir that speaks from the vineyard.

We have carefully refined our winemaking techniques in a way that defines our unique Pinot Noirs, separating the grapes by clone and vineyard during fermentation and aging. This gives us many more blending options. We cold soak the grapes two to three days before adding several different types of yeast, cultured specifically for Pinot Noir. During the seven to twelve days it takes to ferment, we hand-punch each fermenter, up to four times a day to ensure that the temperature doesn't get too warm. Once the juice is fermented, we press the fruit and move the wine into Francois Frères French oak barrels, and then age for at least 11 months before bottling.

Ben R. Papapietro

TASTING NOTES

Always well balanced and flavorful, the 2018 Nunes opens with vibrant, high-toned red fruit laced with perfumey purple violet and sweet oak notes. On the palate, savor waves of strawberry, cherry, dried cranberry and raspberry. As the wine opens, the flavors deepen to reveal hints of black raspberry, rhubarb and caramel toast, along with a refreshing acidity lift in the finish. A compelling wine, meaning the glass is empty before you know it. Enjoy a match of salmon with fennel and mushrooms, or at brunch with a goat cheese, mushrooms, fine herbs and egg scramble.

WINE PROFILE

Varietal:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Russian River Valley
Harvest Date:	September 13, 2018
Alcohol:	13.24%
T.A.:	6.4 g/l
pH:	3.56
RS:	Dry
Cooperage:	11 months in Francois Frères French oak, 50% new, 50% 1-2 year-old
Bottled:	August 8, 2019
Production:	675 cases / 750ml 16 cases / 1.5L

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