



PAPAPIETRO  
PERRY

2018

*Russian River Valley*  
P I N O T N O I R

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our Russian River Valley Pinot Noir is a blend from carefully selected vineyards from this appellation. We include these vineyards— Leras Family, Peters, Nunes, Bucher, and Vin Noy as well as others that we may want to try. We add new vineyards to this blend to see if they'll fit our flavor profile and become a vineyard designate in future vintages. Each vineyard holds its own distinction; and we feel that the fruit is among the best the Russian River Valley has to offer.

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

Vibrant aromas fill the nose with cherry and rhubarb merged with hints of crushed rock minerality and earth. The mouth offers generous flavors of sweet and sour cherry, rhubarb, plum and raspberry. Mid-palate, subtle spicy oak and tea join in, adding complexity and depth. The solid structure stays in the background, never interfering with the plush flavors. Enjoy with wild king salmon cakes, or pork tenderloin with roasted cherries and shallots.

### WINE PROFILE

<b>Varietal:</b>	100% Pinot Noir
<b>Appellation:</b>	Russian River Valley
<b>Harvest Date:</b>	September 26, 2018
<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.75%
<b>T.A.:</b>	6.0 g/l
<b>pH:</b>	3.64
<b>RS:</b>	Dry
<b>Cooperage:</b>	11 months in Francois Frères French oak, 1/3 new 1/3 1 year-old 1/3 2 year-old
<b>Bottled:</b>	August 8, 2019
<b>Production:</b>	1357 cases / 750ml 16 cases / 1.5 l

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