

2020

Russian River Valley
PINOT NOIR

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 Fréres French oak barrels, and then age for at least 11 months before bottling.

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TASTING NOTES

Our Russian River Valley vineyards emerged beautifully from this challenging vintage, and it shows in this exceptional blend. The light ruby colored wine has an impressive nose of sweet red fruits, barrel spice and earth. The palate offers a generous helping of juicy red and blue fruit. Sweet cherry, strawberry and hints of black raspberry are up front, with toast and crisper cranberry notes emerging as the wine opens. This is a classic Russian River Valley wine, rich in fruit and earth, wrapped in a drinkable, lush package. This is a supple and lush blend that is perfect alone or with a meal.

WINE PROFILE

Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir

Appellation: Russian River Valley

Harvest Date: September 21, 2020

Alcohol: 13.93%

T.A.: 5.8 g/l

pH: 3.78

RS: Dry

Cooperage: 11 months in

Francois Frères French oak, ½ new ½ 1 year-old

⅓ 2 year-old

Bottled: August 18, 2021

Production: 703 cases / 750ml

16 cases / 1.5 l

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