



# PAPAPIETRO PERRY

## 2023

LERAS FAMILY VINEYARDS

*Russian River Valley*

P I N O T N O I R

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The Leras Family Vineyards, affectionately known as "God's Little Acre," is located in the heart of the Russian River Valley off Woolsey Road. The Leras family's farming legacy in Sonoma County dates back to 1918, with the current vineyard now managed by the third generation of grape growers.

The vineyard was planted in the late 80s with a combination of Pommard clones and newer vine clones, including Beringer Heritage, 115, 667, and 777. This diverse clonal selection contributes to the vineyard's reputation for producing high-quality Pinot Noir grapes that embody the earthiness and mineral characteristics signature to the Russian River Valley.

### WINEMAKING PROCESS

Over the years, we've refined our winemaking techniques to celebrate the unique qualities of our Pinot Noirs. Each clone and vineyard lot is fermented and aged separately, providing us with a diverse range of blending options. The process begins with a two- to three-day cold soak to extract color and flavor, followed by fermentation with specially selected yeast strains ideal for Pinot Noir. Fermentation lasts seven to twelve days, during which we hand-punch the fermenters up to four times daily to maintain precise temperatures. After fermentation, the wine is pressed and aged in François Frères oak barrels for a minimum of 11 months, allowing it to develop complexity and depth before bottling.

*Ben R. Papapietro*  
OWNER/EXECUTIVE WINEMAKER

*Dave Low*  
WINEMAKER

### TASTING NOTES

This complex and elegant wine opens with cherry, strawberry, and cola, underpinned by classic Russian River Valley earth and bramble. Concentrated fruit flavors of cherry, rhubarb, and strawberry carry through the palate, while subtle blackberry, toasty vanilla and well-integrated oak add depth. A bright spine of acidity and fine tannins gives structure and grip, creating a mouth-coating texture and a long, polished finish. Rich yet refined, it's an ideal food wine, perfect alongside duck, risotto, or roasted chicken.

### WINE PROFILE

**Varietal:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Appellation:** Russian River Valley

**Harvest Date:** 9/19/23-9/22/23

**Alcohol:** 13.1%

**T.A.:** 6.1 g/L

**pH:** 3.5

**RS:** Dry

**Cooperage:** 11 Months in François Frères French Oak  
50% New  
50% One & two year old

**Bottled:** August 5, 2023

**Production:** 1030 cases / 750ml

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