



PINOT NOIR
RUSSIAN RIVER • RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
2019



WINEMAKING DETAILS

Fermentation: 100% neutral French Oak;
100% Malolactic; on the lees with daily
battonage

Oak: 50% new French Oak,
50% neutral French Oak, 10 months

Case Production: 248

WINEMAKER

Courtney Wagoner

CONSULTING WINEMAKER

Erin Green

GROWING YEAR

The 2019 season was overall very cool with record rainfall for Sonoma County in February. The vines however were not affected by this because they were still dormant at the time. Similar to the 2018 season, spring and summer were moderate in temperature and ripening developed gradually and under minimal stress. This year was in fact so similar to 2018 that we began harvest the same day, on September 10th. Unfortunately, another wildfire hit the region at the end of October, but luckily none of our vineyards were affected. The winery and many employees were evacuated, but we were able to keep an eye on the new vintage with a skeleton crew. The quality was not impacted, and we are very excited at the concentration of flavors in this vintage.

VINEYARD CHARACTER

Our Russian River Valley Pinot Noir is curated from our Estate vineyards throughout the Russian River Valley appellation. This wine mirrors the special distinctions that this viticultural area has on a wine due to the climate, proximity to the ocean and soil profile, in combination with our family's trademark farming style and dedication to crafting the highest quality wines true to where they are grown.

TASTING NOTES

Fresh and enticing aromas of ripe raspberry, cinnamon, and clean earth are found in the nose. A juicy entry with plum and Bing cherry flavors introduce beautiful depth mid-palate and well-integrated tannins. Barrel spice and rhubarb are present in the long finish.