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2021
pinot noir
sonoma coast



TECHNICAL NOTES:

Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir
AVA: Sonoma Coast
Production: 50 cases
Alcohol: 13 %
Release Date: April 1st, 2022

VINEYARD

The Pinot Noir for this wine was sourced from two vineyards within the Sonoma Coast, West Block Vineyard, and Home Vineyard. West Block is located in a cool, wind-blown area of the Petaluma Gap in the Sonoma Coast AVA. Planted in the early-90's, this vineyard block is oriented east-west allowing even ripening during the long, extended growing season. The break in the coastal range creates a maritime climate for the Petaluma Gap. The soils are derived from decomposed sandstone and shale. The vineyard is farmed organically. Home Block Vineyard, which is organically farmed and centered in the heart of Carneros in the Sonoma Coast AVA. Influenced by cooler daytime temperatures and gentle breezes, Home Block is one of the closest vineyards to the San Pablo Bay - the major water inlet near San Francisco that leads to the Pacific Ocean.

VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage was a classic Northern California vintage. Scarce rains in the spring prompted an earlier start to the vintage, while mild temperatures throughout the growing season allowed for prolonged flavor development and created ideal ripening conditions. 2021 was an excellent vintage that made wines with beautiful intensity and great structure.

WINEMAKING

We strive to allow the site to shine in every wine we produce. All lots of Pinot Noir undergo an extended cold soak in microfermenters until native yeast begin a spontaneous fermentation in open-top fermenters, where the grapes are punched down by hand once to twice per day. Our small lot fermentations, without any whole cluster, take upwards of a month to finish before a light pressing to barrel for their extended aging. Our Pinot Noir remains in 100% used French oak barrels for 8 months prior to bottling.

WINE

Inviting and expressive aromas of bright wild strawberry, and raspberry are combined with hints of savory sage and graham cracker. The palate is smooth and richly flavored with a mix of dark berries, mushroom and dried cedar. Hints of graphite and sea salt bring another dimension that come together with a bright acidity driving a long, lively finish.

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