

SONOMA-LOEB



LEGENDARY WINES FROM SONOMA'S LEGACY VINEYARDS

2017 PINOT NOIR SONOMA COAST WINEMAKER PHILLIP CORALLO-TITUS



THE WINE

This exceptional Pinot Noir is made exclusively from grapes grown at three of the Sonoma Coast's most storied winegrowing sites: Dutton Ranch, Sangiacomo Vineyard and Calesa Vineyard. This alluring wine showcases the pure varietal character that can be achieved when Pinot Noir is grown in the ideal locations. The result is a vibrant, fruit-driven expression of Pinot Noir with abundant berry and red fruit notes, as well as refreshing acidity. It was aged for 10 months in French oak barrels and gently handled to preserve the delicate nuances of the Pinot Noir.

GROWING SEASON & HARVEST

The 2017 growing season started off with record-setting rainfalls that replenished the vines and pushed the growing season to a later-than-normal start. In the vineyards, we applied thoughtful canopy management techniques to achieve balanced crops with just the right amount of sunlight on the fruit. Moderately warm temperatures in late May led to a perfectly timed bloom and fruit set for Pinot Noir. While rising temperatures in the last week of August resulted in a brisk pace to harvest, the grapes were able to achieve ideal ripeness, resulting in wines with lovely colors and aromatics accompanied by beautifully concentrated flavors.

TASTING NOTES

Both elegant and inviting, there is an earthy Burgundian-like complexity to this wine, with hints of smoke, roasted coffee and graphite adding nuance to the lovely raspberry, pomegranate and red currant aromas. Though supple and flowing on the palate, a subtle framework of cool-climate acidity adds balance, while carrying the favors of tart cherry, mixed berry and dark chocolate to a pure, focused finish.

WINE STATISTICS

Harvested: August 31,- September 16, 2017
Brix at harvest: 24.8°
TA: 0.65 g/100 ml
pH: 3.76
Alc: 14.5%
Bottled August 2018