



RUSSIAN RIVER VINEYARDS

2018 Balistreri Family Vineyard Pinot Noir



Harvest Date: 10/23/2018

Cold soak: 5-7 Days

Aging Process: 22 Months

Secondary Fermentation: Yes

Bottling Date: 8/7/20

Case production: 375

Oak Program: 100%

New oak %: 75

Description:

From the Balistreri Estate Vineyard, where our Winemaker's love affair with his craft began in his teenage years, comes this rich and complex Pinot Noir. Presenting dark, ripe fruit on the nose with subtle herbal notes, your first sip of this wine will convey its complexity. On the palette, the acid is the driver but compliments the fruit perfectly. There is depth and multiple layers in this wine where the more you drink this pinot noir, the richer the flavors get. This is a top level single vineyard Pinot that bears our winemaker's name and is an excellent example of his earth to glass light-touch winemaking process.

Appellation:

Sonoma Coast

Unique Qualities of Vineyard/Location:

West facing lower and upper bench vineyards, this comes from the lower bench where the fruit does not get as ripe. Rocky volcanic soils with clay.

Cooperage:

Nuits Saint Georges - Bourgogne - France, Bel Air, Mercury

Fermentation Details:

Fermentation started in open top fermenters then transferred to French oak barrels to finish the secondary fermentation

Farming Technique & Maintenance:

Vertical, Cordon spur trained