

# RUSSIAN RIVER VINEYARDS Product Information

## 2017 Pinot Noir Austin Estate Vineyards



Harvest Date: 9/25/17
Cold soak: 7-10 days
Oak program: French Oak
New oak %: 65%
Aging process: 22 Months
Secondary fermentation: Yes

Bottling date: 8/2020 Case production: 190

#### **Description**

This is a wine for those who truly appreciate Pinot Noir. From the Austin Estate Vineyard, planted in 2006 by our Winemaker's predecessor & mentor, RRV Consulting Winemaker Anthony Austin. The result is a spectacular Pinot Noir with uncommon complexity and nuance. This wine is made with 100% Dijon clones, which produces an exceptionally rich, dark fruit. Aging an additional year in the bottle before release produces an exquisitely complex wine with rich lush flavor from the concentrated fruit and herbal, spicy overtones. It is smooth and velvety-soft on the palate. A very refined and yet very approachable, this wine will keep you reaching for another sip. This is an elegant, layered, and exquisitely balanced wine that can be enjoyed now or aged up to 15 years.

### **Appellation**

Green Valley of the Russian River Valley

### Unique qualities of vineyard/location

The vineyard includes 5 Pinot Noir clones, grown & harvested in separate blocks, remaining separated at the start of fermentation and combined at the right moment.

### Farming technique & maintenance

Vertical Cane Pruned

#### Fermentation details

Long, slow fermentation. Primary fermentation about 10-14 days

### Cooperage

Bel Air, Sirgue, Mercury