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VINEYARDS & WINERY

2017 SONOMA COUNTY ROSÉ of PINOT NOIR



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This is a really delicious rosé with strawberries, lemons and light peach character. Light to medium body and a fresh finish. More like a very light red. Delicious. Serve nicely chilled. Drink now. Screw cap.

2016 SONOMA COUNTY PINOT NOIR



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A subtle and rich pinot with dried-cherry and strawberry character. Medium to full body and firm, silky tannins that are extremely well-integrated in the palate. Lovely finish. Drink or hold.

2015 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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Aromas of currants, crushed stones, cedar, hazelnuts, and hints of ripe berries. Full body, round and soft tannins and a juicy finish. Chewy and rich. A little old-school. Drink or hold.

2016 SANTA CRUZ CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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What beautiful aromas of black currants and pine needles with hints of fresh herbs. Full body, firm and silky tannins and a long, flavorful finish. Savory and juicy at the end. Give it a year or two more but already a beauty. Screw cap.

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2016 SYNTHESIS ESTATE PINOT NOIR



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A fruit-forward style to this with light strawberry jam and hints of lemon rind. Full to medium body, light tannins and a juicy finish. Drink now.

2015 SYNTHESIS CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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A juicy and fruity young cabernet with pine, currant and berry character. Full to medium body and silky tannins. Very pretty

2015 SANTA CRUZ CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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Subtle and complex aromas of mosswood, dark berries and walnut skin follow through to a full body with tight and layered tannins. A fresh and focused finish. Linear and long. Give it two or three years to perform even better. Try in 2021.

2015 STAGS LEAP CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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Aromas of currants, tree bark and pine resin follow through to a full body with integrated and chewy tannins. A long finish. Light austere and complex. Drink in 2020.

2015 DIAMOND MNT. CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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Wow. This has an extremely complex nose of currants, sage, pine needles, crushed stones, bark and sandalwood. Full body with very integrated and exciting tannins that lead you down to find fantastic, tight and energetic fruit. Give this three or four years to come together. Try in 2022.