

SYNTHESIS

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2016

PINOT NOIR

Estate, Russian River Valley

THE WINE

The cornerstone of our Pinot Noir program, our Estate represents the most Burgundian of all our single vineyards, offering a core of lean, bracing acidity with complex, rich fruit.

SOURCING

Home Ranch Block and Tower Block

VINEYARD NOTES

Our 12-acre estate vineyard is comprised of seven different clones grown in highly regarded Goldridge soil. The largest section of our vineyard, which slopes down toward the Santa Rosa Laguna is planted with notable Dijon clones including 667, 777, 115, 828, and 943. Our smaller vineyard, which we refer to as "The Tower Block" is comprised entirely of Clone 37, which is our legacy to our winery's namesake.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Pinot Noir

VINTAGE NOTES

Ideal conditions from beginning to end, offering ideal results throughout. Foggy and cool mornings with minimal heat spikes.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The clones were fermented in a single open-top fermenter, layered in one at a time. Gentle punch-downs followed with a brief maceration period. Maintained at moderate temperatures until dry, basket-pressed, and racked to 40% new French oak for 12 months.

WINEMAKER

Lindsey Haughton

TASTING NOTES

Damascus Rose, tart raspberry, sweet Morello cherry and savory cedar. Lemon Balm and red currant are framed by linear acidity and structured but supple tannins.

RELEASE DATE

April 2018



VARIETAL	100% Pinot Noir
AVA	Russian River Valley
BRIX AT HARVEST	23.1°-24.6°
pH	3.59
TOTAL ACIDITY	5.7 g/L
ALCOHOL	14.0%