

SYNTHESIS

2018

PINOT NOIR | 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 six 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.

VINTAGE NOTES

From start to finish, 2018 was a very steady season, offering weather that was reminiscent of years prior to drought. Higher than average yields and excellent quality brought about a fruitful harvest beginning in late August.

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 30% new French oak for 12 months.

TASTING NOTES

Fresh plum and raspberry, with an undercurrent of pomegranate juice. Bing cherry and birch beer, with cola and a hint of graham cracker. Vibrant acidity and a mineral driven edge with touches of graphite on the finish.

RELEASE DATE

September 2020



HARVEST DATE	September 28
BRIX AT HARVEST	23.1°-24.2°
pH	3.67
TOTAL ACIDITY	5.4 g/L
ALCOHOL	13.9%