



Russian River Vineyards Product Information

2018 Pinot Noir Austin Estate Vineyards



Harvest Date:	9/18/18
Cold soak:	7-10 Days
Aging Process:	22 months
Oak Program:	French Oak
New Oak %:	65%
Secondary Fermentation:	Yes
Bottling Date:	8/7/20
Case production:	185

Description:

A Pinot lovers Pinot Noir with uncommon complexity and nuance. From the Austin Estate Vineyard, planted in 2006 by our Winemaker's predecessor and mentor, RRV Consulting Winemaker Anthony Austin. The grapes are grown from 100% Dijon clones and result is an exceptionally rich, dark fruit. Aging an additional year in the bottle before release produces an exquisitely layered wine with rich lush flavor from the concentrated fruit and herbal, spicy overtones. Smooth and velvety-soft on the palate, it is quite refined and yet very approachable. The 2018 Austin Pinot Noir can be enjoyed now or can be aged up to 15 years.

Awards:

- Gold, 91 Points East Meets West Wine Competition
- Gold, 91 points 2022 Los Angeles Invitational Wine Challenge

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