

Hunter
Wine Cellars



2016 PINOT NOIR

Sonoma Coast



Winemaker: William Hunter
Production: 150 cases
Alcohol: 14.3%

The Vintage:

California's north coast has hit the trifecta with another superb vintage in the last three years. And another growing season following suit with a perfectly balanced crop to vine vigor ratio. A mild summer with very little heat spikes the harvest came in during the mild month of September with spectacularly looking fruit. The beautiful clean fruit taken in during harvest posed no hitches during the fermentation process which has yielded just as beautiful wines.

Winemaker's Notes:

A deep ruby color introduces a slightly brooding floral nose of forest floor that opens to a sense of coiled strength in the aromas of this youthful Pinot as it opens with air. Hints of cigar-box and mushroom along with red raspberry and currants become apparent on the palate. Zesty, forthright and rich mouthfeel predicts and finally gives way to a dark core of cherry and grenadine that is neatly counter-pointed by savory notes of roasted grain and tobacconist-shop spice with an impressive smooth and polished tannic grip that finishes long and round.

Technical Notes:

Bottled: March 5, 2018
Yield: 2.0 ton/acre average
Total Acidity: 6.1 g/L
pH: 3.4

Grape Source:

West Sonoma County

Aging:

Fifteen months in 60 gallon
French oak barrels: 50%
new; 100% from Tonnellerie
Sirugue

Harvest:

September 19th and September
21st, at 24.4 degree brix average

Release Date:

April 1, 2018

Malolactic Fermentation:

100%

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