

RELEASED FALL/WINTER 2022

PINOT NOIR 2021

100% Pinot noir · Redwood Valley · 95 Cases



oak barrique for 9 months. Unfined. Unfiltered.
Sediment expected.

MARTHA'S NOTE

Pete Johnson's vineyard pocket in Redwood Valley continues to amaze me. In contrast to our warm and windy vineyards closer to Ukiah, Pete's Hawkeye Ranch (and nearby Dicesare Vineyard) showcase this area's dramatic daily temperature inversion, where cool overnight air pools from the mountain slopes into the rolling valley vineyards and provides daily relief, often in excessive of +/- 30 degrees Fahrenheit. Dry farming reduces yield and results in wines that have just the right amount of concentration, even at relatively lower extraction. Pinot noir 2021 is a wine that brings ample California sunshine with restraint.

AT BOTTLING

(June 2022): 12.5% alc/vol · Free SO₂ 6 mg/L, Total SO₂ 32 mg/L · All wines are vegan

TASTING NOTE

Side up to aromas of black tea and bay laurel. This wine cuts through the fat with enchanting acidity and a warm current of California hospitality. A perfect companion for whittling small gifts from birch bark, getting past the small talk, and licking cherry juice off of your fingers.

VINEYARD

Pinot noir from Hawkeye Ranch, Redwood Valley, Mendocino County; dry farmed (non-irrigated), certified organic vineyard; gravelly loam soils.

VINIFICATION

Whole clusters (stems intact) of Pinot noir sealed in a tank for two days (semi-carbonic maceration). After opening the tank, a mixture of punchdowns and pumpovers were used to gently extract tannin. At the midpoint of fermentation the juice was racked-and-returned (délestage) over the grape solids. Pressed prior to dryness and aged in neutral

Martha Stoumen



All of our wines are fermented with native yeast and bacteria, are vegan, and have no additions beyond minimal effective sulfites for some wines, as listed.