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2021 California Pinot Noir

Golden is a celebration of California sun and California spirit. Located in center of the state, Monterey County is the original capital of California. A region that enjoys rich, fertile soils, warm, consistent weather and cool, coastal influences from the Pacific Ocean. As the nucleus of our estate vineyards, these ideal growing conditions allow us to grow happy grapes to make wonderful wine.

Vintage Notes

The 2021 vintage was a blend of early harvest in the North Coast, due to increased temperatures in late summer and early fall, and a late harvest in the Central Coast, due to a long cool summer. The differences gave us a lot of control in the cellar when it came time to blend. Our Monterey estate vineyards had wonderful development of flavors with the longer hangtime. In the North Coast, we got better acidity and structure. Yields were down in both regions due to a lack of rainfall, but the differences in harvests resulted in a great quality vintage.

Tasting Notes

The 2021 Pinot Noir was a great vintage for us in the Central Coast, allowing us to blend from Central Coast and North Coast in a way to perfectly control the balance of acidity and fruit. Aromas and flavors of raspberry, black cherry, and rhubarb pie with hints of vanilla, black tea, and earth. Our Monterey fruit gives us extra complexity by adding spice and floral notes that give our Pinot Noir a beauty and smoothness that delivers a very sophisticated profile. Enjoy young and often.

Varietal(s): 100% Pinot Noir

Appellation: 65% Monterey County

35% North Coast AVA

Maturation: Aged 11 months in 30%

1 year old French Oak

Alc./Vol.: 13.7%

HISTORICAL ACCOLADES

BEST BUY - 89 pts - Wine Enthusiast

91 points - CA State Fair Wine Comp.

91 points – Beverage Tasting Inst.

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