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WINERY

Pinot Noir 2 0
Santa Cruz Mountain 2 0

The Aromas & Taste

Delicate aromas of vanilla, raspberries, and mulberries give way to a medium to full-bodied wine with supple tannins, crispy acidity and a juicy finish.

The Science

Alcohol	Varietal Content	Stats
13.9%	100% Pinot Noir	435 cases produced
pH		Harvested Sept. 15, 2020
3.64	**Vineyards**	Released June 1, 2022
	Bailey Vineyard	Age 5-7 years
Acidity	Radonich Vineyard	
0.63g/100ml		

The Magic

- 5 days of cold soaking
- 30% whole cluster
- 14 days open-top fermentation
- Aged 10 months in French oak barrels (50% new)
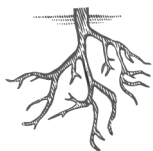- Bottled unfiltered

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The Alchemists

Ron Mosley, *Winemaker* Alejandro Aldama

The Grape

Pinot Noir can be difficult to grow, but planted the right site, with meticulous care and attention, one is rewarded with a wine that is both delicious and intriguing. Pinot is an early maturing, cool climate variety associated with the Burgundy region of France using clones 115 and 667. It is valued for its ability to produce wines with structure, density, chewy texture, and great aromas.

The Land

This Pinot is blend of two selected distinct vineyards in the Santa Cruz Mountains. The Bailey vineyard is at 900' in elevation, with east facing slopes. The soil is well drained sandy loam. The Radonich vineyard has an elevation of 1800', with west facing slopes, also sandy loam soils. These vineyard sites are excellent producers of the quintessential Santa Cruz Mountain Pinot with the desired skin-to-juice ratios and concentrated flavors.

The Season

The conditions were ideal at the start of 2020, with mild temperatures that resulted in evenly developed clusters. Low winter rainfall resulted in smaller berries with concentrated flavors. The warm summer allowed the grapes to become fully mature, with harvest beginning in late August. We were very, very fortunate to harvest all of our grapes with no smoke related issues. The smoke from the fires along with Covid, made the 2020 season, for all of us in this industry, demanding and one that will never be forgotten.

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