



DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*Pinot Noir*

VAN DER KAMP VINEYARD

SONOMA MOUNTAIN

VINTAGE 2017

#### IN THE VINEYARD

Family-owned by Martin, Dixie and Ulysses van der Kamp, this site sustains some of the oldest Pinot Noir vines in Sonoma County. Its terroir is unique in that fog banks from opposite sides meet and swirl overhead to form an opening through which the sun bathes the land to temper the cool mountain atmosphere, resulting in a unique microclimate. Myriad of old-vine and Dijon clones are planted across the property along with a small amount of Pinot Meunier, allowing the winemaker an opportunity to create a “blended” wine within the vineyard designate concept.

The van der Kamp family embraces natural farming and non-invasive techniques. The vineyard has a great amount of variation in soil types, slopes, and sun and wind exposure. Warm days are cooled by foggy nights allowing optimal conditions for rich flavor and balanced acidity to develop.

#### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Hand harvested at night between September 6 and October 5, including clones 777, La Tache, Old Vine and 113. After harvest the grapes were fermented in open top fermenters with hand punch downs.

#### TASTING NOTES

A medium ruby color in the glass with aromas of Earl Grey tea, cola, eucalyptus and earthy notes. Bright cherry and blueberry flavors are met with hints of nutmeg and Asian spice. Refreshing acidity and grainy tannins lead to a long and nuanced finish.

#### TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION:  
Sonoma Mountain, Sonoma County

ALCOHOL: 15%

PH: 3.78

TA: 5.5 g/L

AGING: 100% French oak, 65% new

MONTHS IN BARREL: 14

