

PRIVATE RESERVE PINOT NOIR 2017

The Private Reserve wines are the ultimate wines within the portfolio; limited in production, sourced from the finest vineyards in Sonoma County and from appellations best suited for a specific varietal given the dramatic diversity in climatic and soil conditions across the County.

The Private Reserve Pinot Noir was sourced from the cooler Sonoma County region, allowing evening fog to influence the acidity while afternoon sunshine leads to the development of bright fruit flavors that culminate in this rich, enticing wine.



This enticing Pinot Noir comes predominately from the Thornton Vineyard that sits above the Sonoma Valley with small portions coming from Sonoma Stage Vineyard, Starkey Vineyard and Goodin Vineyard. Predominantly from the Pommard clone, a blend of the Swan and Calera clones enhance the wine's depth and breadth. Hand-picked and fermented in open-top fermenters, this wine received hand punchdowns before aging for 15 months in 35% new French oak and was bottled unfiltered.

A bright red color in the glass, our 2017 Private Reserve Pinot Noir opens with aromas of ripe bing cherry, raspberry and hints of mushroom. On the palate, bursting flavors of fresh plums and candied red fruit are perfectly complemented by well-integrated oak. This medium bodied Pinot Noir features fresh, well balanced acids and fine-grained tannins that lead to long, lingering finish making this this wine truly deserving of the Private Reserve designation.

Alcohol: 14.5% pH: 3.6 Total Acidity: 5.8

Aging: 15 months in French oak barrels; 35% new oak