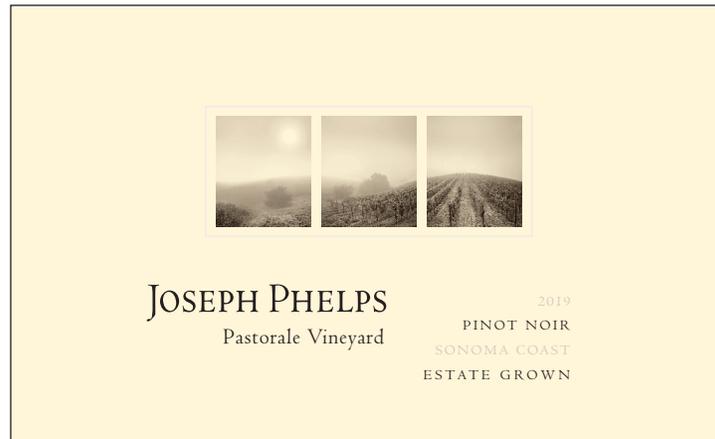


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Joseph Phelps Pinot Noir, Pastorale Vineyard, Sonoma Coast 2019

Winemaking Data

Blend: 100% estate-grown Pinot Noir from our Pastorale Vineyard.

Aging: 14 months in 55% new and 45% one- to two-year-old French oak barrels.

Winemaking Notes: Highlighting favorite areas within our Pastorale Vineyard, the 2019 vintage showcases Calera, Clone 777, and Swan. Clusters were hand-sorted to separate the best for a 35% whole cluster fermentation which resulted in a focused, texturally refined wine.

The 2019 opens with red and black fruit, cracked black pepper, and fragrant rose petals. Dense and layered with raspberry, black cherry, violet, and a dried herb and earthy mineral quality. A wine of great freshness, tension, and structure for long-term aging.

Growing Season: In 2019, bud break occurred around the same time as 2018 but was delayed compared to our historical averages due to cold, saturated soils from the wet winter, particularly in February. Cool weather continued throughout spring with an unusual amount of rainfall which delayed bloom in some areas. Canopy management was key in 2019 due to vigorous growth and moderate temperatures. July was cooler than average, but August and September warmed to push ripening ahead. In 2019, the quality of Pinot Noir from our Sonoma Coast estate was excellent with well-developed flavors, naturally fresh acidity and superb balance.

Review: 95 Points, "Medium ruby-purple, the 2019 Pinot Noir Pastorale Vineyard has alluring aromas of blackberry jam, raspberry, dried citrus, spice and potpourri. Medium-bodied, the palate is silky and plush with a balance of intense fruit and uplifting freshness, and it finishes very long and layered." - *EB, Robert Parker Wine Advocate, June 2021*