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FAMILY ESTATES

PINOT NOIR  
Russian River Valley  
2022



**Varietal:** Pinot Noir

**AVA:** Russian River Valley

**Vineyard:** Arnoud

**Clone:** 667, 23, Swan, LaTache

**Harvest Date:** August 19th, 2022

**Fermentation:** 100% Destemmed and  
Stainless-Steel Tank Fermented

**Aging:** 55% New French Oak for  
22 Months

**Alcohol:** 14.5 %

**Production:** 75 Cases



## Vintage:

The 2022 Pinot Noir harvest in the Middle Reach of the Russian River Valley was impacted by a cold winter, followed by a spring of rain and frost, and a heatwave in September. However, the cool, foggy conditions of the region allowed for balanced acidity and vibrant fruit flavors. Early harvests due to the heat preserved the quality of the fruit, which resulted in concentrated wines with bright acidity, fine tannins, and deep fruit flavors like cherry and raspberry, accented by earthy notes. These wines showcase both richness and freshness, making them stand out in the region's recent vintages.

## Tasting Notes:

The 2022 Arnoud Pinot Noir offers a lush profile of dark cherry and red fruit, complemented by floral aromas of rose petals and subtle hints of spice. The wine balances vibrant acidity with smooth tannins, revealing earthy undertones and a touch of vanilla. Its lively freshness and nuanced finish make it a well-rounded expression of the region's characteristic complexity.

