



WAYPOINT

SINGLE VINEYARD WINES

2021 · PINOT NOIR FORT ROSS VINEYARD

TASTING NOTES

Aromatically compelling, Fort Ross coastal Pinot tends to show a bright red cherry and light spice nose, with red damson plum skins, notes of conifer (redwood trees), and a saline raspberry, allspice and fresh herb bouquet. In the mouth it is brisk and kinetic, moving all around the palate with cool earth, black raspberry, sweet black plum, tea, quinine, and bergamot flavors. The finish gains some speed, with racy Bing and Rainier cherries, and leaves on a crisp, grippy note, reminding you there are tannins present. A nice mouth-watering exit, that lingers.

VINEYARDS

A renowned beauty of the long Sonoma Coast, Fort Ross Vineyard is a gem nestled high in the hills, met by the cloud line while still stealing glimpses of the Pacific ocean from vineyard rows. Vines of this unique terroir produce wines that embody the essence of the rugged Sonoma Coast. With a perfect blend of altitude, ocean influence, and passionate craftsmanship, every bottle tells a story of natural harmony.

WINEMAKING

In the cellar, this rich fruit was completed in 100% Stainless Steel, and aged 12 months in 50% New French Oak.



WINEMAKERS: Matthew Sands, Philippe Melka

VARIETAL: 100% Pinot Noir

CLONE: 777

HARVESTED: September 8th, 2021.

BOTTLED: August 2022

CASE PRODUCTION: 230 cases.

ALCOHOL: 14%

AVA: Russian River Valley, Sonoma.

VINEYARD: Fort Ross Vineyard.



"From Fort Ross Vineyard, sitting between 365 and 518 meters, 1.6 kilometers from the Pacific Ocean in Sonoma County. [...] It balances power and richness with intense salinity and is braced by a firm backbone of acidity. Wild herbs laced with ocean spray and cedarwood notes mingle with black cherry and blackberry. Angular, pointed tannins have a firm grip on the palate, and the finish is marked by savory smoked cedar and bacon fat."

Jonathan Cristaldi