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## ARISTA PINOT NOIR, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY 2018

### ABOUT THE WINERY

The core principle of the winemaking philosophy at Arista is to capture and express the true character and potential of each vineyard. They work with a very carefully chosen handful of grand-cru level Pinot Noir and Chardonnay vineyards and are uncompromising in their efforts to maximize the full potential of the wines crafted from these special sites.

### ABOUT THE WINE

The Russian River Valley blend represents the unique characteristics of the appellation that set it apart from other growing regions. This wine is defined by its rich weight and texture and by the dark fruit profile commonly associated with the Russian River Valley. The wine is assembled using select lots from our Westside Road Estate Vineyard as well as selections from the Toboni, Lucky Well, and Mononi Vineyards. Viewed as a blend of single vineyard and estate wines, it is an excellent survey of the vintage and appellation each year.

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Appellation wines are treated as Tête-de-Cuvées and feature only blends of single vineyard and estate wines – no de-classified wine or “filler” vineyards used
- 36-acre estate located on famed Westside Road, family owned and operated since 2002
- Since the 2013 vintage, Arista has consistently produced some of the highest rated Chardonnay and Pinot Noir by any producer in California
- Exclusive use of native fermentations allows full expression of the character of each vineyard and vintage in the most pure and transparent manner
- Gentle, gradual, cool, and slow fermentation process takes up to 12 months to complete
- Wines never fined or filtered

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

**Varietal Composition:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Vineyards:** Arista Estate Vineyard, Toboni, Lucky Well and Mononi Vineyards

**Clones:** Heritage Selections of Swan, Calera and various Dijon clones

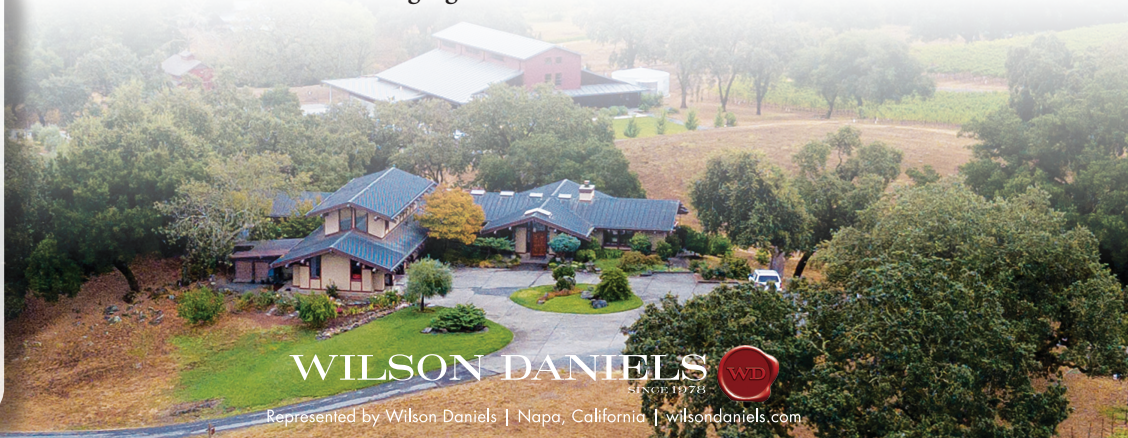
**Aging:** 11 months in barrel



## Wine Spectator

*“Well-structured, with notes of underbrush to the burnished dried cherry and berry flavors. Minerally midpalate, revealing a long, rich finish that features a savory focus. Powerful yet elegant.”*

– Kim Marcus, March 2020



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