

ROUTE STOCK

ROUTES WITH ROOTS – WINES OF PLACE.

PINOT NOIR, SONOMA COAST 2019



INTRODUCTION

RouteStock is an invitation to discover the deep roots of winemaking in Napa and Sonoma, planted firmly at each step of your journey through our vineyard sites. Every glass tells the story of Napa and Sonoma's remarkable fine wine heritage, from the famous routes that wind between the vineyards, to the roots that produce its world-renowned grapes. An endeavor of enduring Napa-based importer Wilson Daniels, RouteStock is established as a product that consistently over-delivers in quality at a very attractive price point.

PHILOSOPHY

At the core of RouteStock is our commitment to sourcing great fruit from high-end vineyards along well-known routes in the Napa Valley. We partner with a select group of dedicated grape-growers in the best viticultural areas for each of our varietals and we work hand-in-hand with all our growers during the cultivation season. We practice minimal intervention in our winemaking to help the grapes show their true character, using native yeasts, natural malolactic fermentation, 100% barrel aging, and no chemical additions. Our intent is to let the grapes and vintage tell us what kind of wine they should be – we never try to force the wine into a specific mold, but rather serve as a guide on its journey.

SOURCING

Our Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir is crafted to celebrate the depth and potential of the combination of this grape and region. Since 2017, the three clones for this bottling (Pommard, 667 and 777) have been sourced from two specific vineyards; one about 1.5 miles from the coast in northwest Sonoma County, and the other in the southern part of the appellation near the Petaluma Gap AVA. The resulting wine is equal parts celebration and exploration of the best of California Pinot.

2019 VINTAGE NOTES

A relatively dry winter brought an early spring with fruit set about two weeks ahead of normal and relatively abundant. The growing season in the Sonoma Coast is tempered by proximity to the cool Pacific Ocean and elevation, keeping the heat spikes of 2019 at bay. Harvest was in late August in perfect conditions.

TASTING NOTES

Medium-light color, explosive nose of strawberry, fall leaves and clove with dynamic flavors of classic Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir including warm red fruit, bay laurel, bright cherries, autumnal foliage and a kiss of toasty oak. This is an amazing complex pinot with great depth, bright richness and length.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION:

100% Pinot Noir

AGING:

10 months in 100% French oak, with 18% being new

ALCOHOL: 14%

pH: 3.48

TA: 6.14%

RS: 0.381%

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