

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2019 PINOT NOIR

Ferrington Vineyards
Anderson Valley

The Davies family of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley is pleased to release its eleventh vintage of Pinot Noir still wines. The family's experience with Pinot Noir dates back to 1967, when Jack and Jamie Davies first used this elegant red varietal to make their inaugural vintage of Schramsberg Blanc de Noirs sparkling wine. Over the 54 years following that first use, Schramsberg's winemakers have built long-lasting relationships with some of the best Pinot Noir growers along the North Coast. Developing upon this passion, history and experience, second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies and Director of Winemaking Sean Thompson are proud to present this vineyard-designate Pinot Noir wine from the 2019 vintage.

The Ferrington Vineyards property, located approximately 100 miles north of San Francisco and 17 miles inland from the Pacific Ocean, is in a fertile pocket of land found at the edge of the northeastern foothills of Mendocino County's Anderson Valley. Between 360 and 440 feet above sea level, the vines utilize over six feet of Boontling and Pinole loam soil, sustainable farming practices and deficit irrigation to produce approximately 2.5 tons per acre of bright, complex fruit with great balance. Cool, foggy nights and steadily warming days provide a long, even growing season which delivers mature fruit depth with a vibrant, acidic backbone. Ferrington Vineyards is managed by our long-time grape growing partner, Paul Ardzrooni.

The 2019 growing season in Anderson Valley started off with a wet spring, causing bud break and bloom to occur later than normal. The weather remained moderate through most of the season; canopies were healthy and strong allowing for gradual ripening. The starting date of harvest was average compared to previous years, with yields coming in light to normal. With lighter yields, vines were able to produce fruit with exceptional quality, balanced acidity and concentrated flavors and aromas.

TASTING NOTES

"The 2019 Ferrington Pinot Noir features inviting aromas of Bing cherry, cranberry and raspberry, with touches of lavender, sage, milk chocolate and cinnamon. The palate is round and rich with balanced acid, offering flavors of brambly black raspberry, tart plum, fresh coffee and a refreshing minty finish." — *Winemakers Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies*

APPELLATION:	Anderson Valley
VARIETAL COMPOSITION:	100% Pinot Noir
CLONES:	828, 777, Pommard, 667, 115
HARVEST DATES:	September 12 - 19, 2019
BARREL AGING:	15 months in French oak, 29% new, 35% once used
COOPERS:	Atelier Centre France, Damy, Billon
BOTTLED:	January 24, 2021
ALCOHOL:	14.5%
TA:	5.9 g/L
pH:	3.66
RELEASE DATE:	September 1, 2021
PRODUCTION:	425 (9-Liter)

