



Sonoma Coast VINEYARDS

2017 PINOT NOIR SALMON CREEK BLOCK SONOMA COAST • SONOMA COUNTY

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2017 growing season was a bit of a roller-coaster with heavy winter rains leading to vigorous vine growth in spring. Bloom came early, in parallel with an eclectic range of springtime temperatures. Moderate early summer temperatures gave way to several heat waves throughout the summer and into fall, heightening the rate of ripening and flavor development in the grapes, and ushering in a slightly early harvest.

VINEYARD NOTES

Salmon Creek Block sits at the lower elevation of the Balistreri Vineyard in Freestone. It is three miles inland from the Pacific Ocean and is adjacent to the Salmon Creek. This area is fast proving to be one of the finest growing regions in the world for producing wines that are truly Burgundian in character but possessing the depth of complexity that makes west Sonoma County so special.

WINEMAKER NOTES

This vineyard block selection from Balistreri Vineyard is planted to Dijon 115, 667 and 777 Clones. This kind of clonal diversity in one vineyard block becomes a wonderful “blending tool” for our winemakers, allowing for a broad palette of flavors, textures and aromas to be expressed in the finished wine.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Vineyard: Salmon Creek block of Balistreri Vineyard
Varietal Composition: 100% Pinot Noir, Dijon Clones 115, 667, 777
Barrel Regime: 40% new French oak quintessence, Bel Air
Alcohol: 14.2%
pH: 3.57
Case Production: 225 cases