

# 2016 Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast



### THE VINEYARDS

This wine is a blend of eight unique lots produced from Sonoma Coast vineyards ranging from Occidental to the Petaluma Gap. Gap's Crown, Sangiacomo, Rodgers Creek and Walala Vineyards represent key components used to produce this blend. Pinot noir clones 115, 828, 667, Pommard, and Wädenswil 2A add unique elements creating a complex Pinot noir with a myriad of textures and flavors. The 2016 vintage of this wine is balanced and vibrant with lush textures that are characteristic of the Gap's Crown and Sangiacomo vineyard components.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

In 2016, California experienced a fifth year of severe drought conditions, resulting in small grape clusters with tiny berries. Yields were slightly higher than in 2015 as the vines were more in balance. Moderate summer temperatures allowed sugar levels and flavor development to progress slowly and evenly. A few brief heat spikes gave way to a cooler than normal August, allowing for longer hang times without rapid sugar accumulation. The resulting wines are robust with deep, concentrated flavors combined with a remarkable freshness. Our 2016 Sonoma Coast blend includes components from Sangiacomo, Rodgers Creek, Walala and Gap's Crown vineyards. Clone 828 from Dorothy Cameron Vineyard was allocated entirely to this blend. The resulting wine offers balance and finesse with silky textures and robust aromatics common of these individual vineyard sites.

## FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% de-stemmed Pinot noir
- Open-top fermentation
- · Native yeast
- 50% new French oak
- · Bottled unfined and unfiltered
- Bottled August 2017

#### FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.4%
- pH: 3.7
- TA: 6 g/L
- · Release date: Spring 2018
- Retail price: \$39
- 2,900 cases produced
- · AVA: Sonoma Coast

### TASTING SALON

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## ABOUT THE WINERY

Based in the town of Sonoma, Sojourn Cellars is a highly acclaimed winery specializing in the production of artisan Pinot noir, Chardonnay, and Cabernet Sauvignon wines.

We source fruit from celebrated vineyards in both Sonoma and Napa Counties, and we help direct farming operations to assure that our grapes are produced using world-class growing techniques. We have consistently produced high-quality wines with a hands-off natural winemaking style that showcases the character and personality of individual vineyards.