

2017 Pinot Noir Wohler Vineyard - Russian River Valley



TASTING SALON

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THE VINEYARD

Replanted in 2006, Wohler Vineyard in Forestville sits in the heart of the famed Russian River Valley, within sight of the Russian River and the historic Wohler Bridge. The combination of climate and Goldridge Series soils provides an environment well suited for growing ultra-premium Pinot noir. We source grapes from five distinct blocks within the vineyard. Our blocks of clones 667 and 828 sit at the highest elevation and are the best-draining blocks on the property. Clones 115 and 2A are planted in cooler, lower spots within the vineyard where the soils contain more clay. Each block offers unique characteristics and an array of blending options with each vintage.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2017 vintage endured tragic wildfires that were driven by 80 mph winds on October 8–9. The fires devastated Napa and Sonoma counties, destroyed more than 8,000 structures, took 44 lives and disrupted winery operations for several days. Fortunately, all of our Pinot noir grapes were picked prior to the fires and there was no impact to our 2017 Pinot noir wines. Balanced vines and temperature fluctuations resulted in layers of flavors and complexity in the wines. The overall high quality of the vintage is a blessing after such challenging events. Wohler Vineyard was harvested in multiple passes as each block ripened at a different pace. The clones were vinified separately, with 667 and 828 providing richness and density as the foundation of the blend. Clones 115 and 777 provided bright fruit and elegance, with a splash of Wädenswil 2A for earthiness.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% de-stemmed Pinot noir
- Open-top fermentation
- · Native yeast
- 50% new French oak
- Bottled unfined and unfiltered
- Bottled August 2018

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.2%
- pH: 3.72
- TA: 6.0 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2019
- Retail price: \$54
- 575 cases produced
- AVA: Russian River Valley

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.