



2018 Pinot Noir

Gap's Crown Vineyard - Sonoma Coast

THE VINEYARD

Gap's Crown Vineyard has become one of the most iconic Pinot noir vineyards in the Sonoma Coast. It was originally developed by Premier Pacific Vineyards between 2002 and 2005 and later purchased by Price Family Vineyards in 2013. In 2007, Sojourn Cellars became one of the first to make a vineyard-designate wine from Gap's Crown. Our clone 115 block, planted in 2005 on 3309 root stock at 1,200 feet elevation, has been the foundation for Sojourn since we began making Pinot noir from this vineyard. Our clone 828 block was planted in 2002 on 420A root stock, and two clone 667 blocks round out the blend, both planted in 2004 on 3309 root stock. This hillside vineyard is situated on the western slope of Sonoma Mountain and is cooled by the persistent wind and fog of the Petaluma Gap.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2018 Sonoma Coast vintage offered moderate weather, cool evening temperatures and a long, even growing season. The weather conditions were ideal and allowed the grapes to ripen slowly and evenly over the course of summer and early fall. This allowed the grapes to gain flavor complexities and ripe tannins, while retaining natural acidity. The vineyards offered grapes of exceptional quality and high yields alike. The 2018 Gap's Crown Vineyard Pinot noir grapes were picked over the course of September 21st through October 19th from our four separate blocks across the vineyard landscape. Each block was fermented separately and aged on lees until final blending just prior to bottling. A portion of clone 828 was fermented with stems and blended in for an overall rate of 10% whole-cluster.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% Pinot noir (10% whole cluster)
- Open-top fermentation
- Native yeast
- 50% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered
- Bottled August 2019

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.6%
- pH: 3.67
- TA: 5.9 g/L
- Release date: January 2020
- Retail price: \$69
- 1,025 cases produced
- AVA: Sonoma Coast



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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.

Craig Haserot
Proprietor

Erich Bradley
Winemaker

Randy Bennett
Associate Winemaker