

# 2021 Pinot Noir Petaluma Gap



### THE VINEYARDS

This wine is a blend of several unique Pinot noir lots produced from four prominent vineyards located within the Petaluma Gap AVA. Gap's Crown and Sangiacomo Vineyards have been the flagships for Sojourn Pinot noir since 2004. Both vineyards have rocky, well-draining soils and have become icons of the Petaluma Gap. Younger blocks from Nightwing and Ueberroth Vineyards contribute additional layers and texture. Cool temperatures, foggy mornings, and windy afternoons define the region and make it ideal for growing exceptional Pinot noir grapes. This wine combines the intensity and structure of rocky hillside vineyards with the elegance and creamy tannins of vineyards grown in sandy loam soils just below.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2021 growing season offered optimal conditions in the Sonoma Coast to harvest grapes of exceptional quality. The air remained clear with no fires in Sonoma and pandemic lock downs ended. Our spirits were lifted and the grape harvest and wine quality benefited. Brief heat waves in August and September ripened the grapes to ideal maturity as the weather stayed dry until major rains arrived October 22, after our grapes were harvested. Yields were lower than average in 2021, with small berries and loose clusters creating wines of increased depth and concentration. In 2021, two blocks from Sangiacamo Vineyard formed the core of this blend, with two blocks of Gap's Crown adding structure and intensity. This was our first vintage working with Nightwing and Ueberroth Vineyards and they both impressed us, adding layers of complexity and nuance to the resulting blend.

#### FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% destemmed Pinot noir
- Open-top fermentation
- Native yeast
- 50% new French oak
- · Bottled unfined and unfiltered
- Bottled August 2022

# FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.5%
- pH: 3.61
- TA: 6.2 g/L
- · Release date: Spring 2023
- Retail price: \$54
- 450 cases produced
- AVA: Petaluma Gap

#### 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.

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