



2021 Pinot Noir UV Lucky Well Vineyard - Sonoma Coast



THE VINEYARD

Lucky Well Vineyard was developed in 2008 by the late, famed vineyard manager Ulises Valdez, and continues to be farmed by the Valdez family at the highest level of quality. Ulises gave the vineyard its name in recognition of his luck finding a prolific well in an unexpected location on the property. The vineyard sits atop a knoll of Goldridge sandy-loam soils in the cool and foggy Sebastopol Hills. Sojourn's blocks include Pommard clone on 101-14 and a distinctive suitcase Vosne-Romanée clone on 420A that blend harmoniously. The rows of Pommard clone run down a steep south east face and provide rich fruit character and full body, while the Vosne-Romanée block is perched on top of the ridge with less direct sunlight and provides exceptional structure with layers of dark red fruit flavors.

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. Our two blocks at Lucky Well were picked seven days apart. The grapes held their acid well while the tannins ripened, and the vines achieved optimal flavor development. We fermented a portion of the Pommard clone whole-cluster to add verve and complexity. The blended wine offers intense aromatics, full body with silky tannins, and exceptional length.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% Pinot Noir (5% whole cluster)
- Open-top fermentation
- Native yeast
- 50% new French oak
- Bottled unfinned and unfiltered
- Bottled August 2022

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.5%
- pH: 3.50
- TA: 5.2 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2023
- Retail price: \$85
- 400 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.

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