



# 2022 PINOT NOIR UV SILVER EAGLE VINEYARD SONOMA COAST



**THE VINEYARD** Silver Eagle Vineyard was developed in 2006 by the late, famed vineyard manager Ulises Valdez, and continues to be farmed by the Valdez family at the highest level of quality. The vineyard is located near the town of Occidental where coastal influences play a key role. Its cool climate and Sebastopol series rocky clay loam soils naturally control vigor, resulting in small, concentrated berries. We are honored to be working with two premier blocks within this extraordinary vineyard site. Calera clone of Pinot noir forms the foundation of this Pinot Noir and a special suitcase Vosne-Romanée clone is fermented separately and later blended with the Calera to produce a deep, textured wine with great natural acidity.

**WINEMAKER NOTES** A warm 2022 summer brought one of the earliest harvests on record in the Sonoma Coast, with a September heat wave influencing some picking decisions. Cooler pockets of the Sonoma Coast fared well through the heat and the resulting wines offer depth and finesse. Yields were miniscule, with many vineyards breaking records on the low side for cluster weights. The resulting wines have concentrated flavors with tension and length. Silver Eagle benefited from its cool climate location in 2022. It weathered the September heat wave without any issues and we were able to pick the grapes at optimal maturity. The individual blocks were fermented separately, aged in French oak barrels and later blended to produce this deep, intriguing wine that is well structured and layered.

#### FERMENTATION & BOTTLING

100% destemmed Pinot Noir  
Open-top fermentation  
Native yeast  
50% new French oak  
Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered  
Bottled August 2023

#### FINISHED WINE DETAILS

Alcohol: 14.2%  
pH: 3.46  
TA: 6.1 g/L  
Release date: Fall 2024  
Retail price: \$85  
250 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.

**Erich Bradley**  
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