



2023 PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY



THE VINEYARD Our Russian River Valley Pinot Noir is a blend of five vineyards and several clones. This wine showcases the beautiful expression of Pinot noir when grown in the cool climate and loamy soils offered within the Russian River Valley. Wohler Vineyard Pinot noir provides classic Russian River Valley characteristics from its site adjacent to the river. Riddle Vineyard, located in Green Valley, provides complexity and nuance. Bucher Vineyard, near Rochioli, adds rich structure and fresh fruit flavors. A small proportion of the renowned Reuling and UV Laguna Vineyards balance out the blend with intense aromas, earthy notes and silky tannins.

WINEMAKER NOTES In 2023, plentiful winter rains took Sonoma out of a drought. A cool summer allowed the vines to ripen at an even pace and the weather stayed moderate during the growing season with periodic light rains. Harvesting started three weeks later than normal and Pinot Noir yields were above average. The cooler weather resulted in fresh natural acidity and firmer tannins, both good for cellaring. Grape phenolics ripened at lower sugar levels and the resulting 2023 Pinot Noirs are more “Burgundian” in nature. In 2023, we produced this blend by selecting barrels from each distinct Russian River Valley Pinot Noir lot that was fermented and aged separately in French oak barrels. This vintage offers balance and nuance with complex red fruit aromas.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING

100% destemmed Pinot Noir
Open-top fermentation
Native yeast
50% new French oak
Bottled unfined and unfiltered
Bottled August 2024

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

Alcohol: 14.2%
pH: 3.59
TA: 5.7 g/L
Release date: Summer 2025
Retail price: \$48
975 cases produced
AVA: Russian River Valley

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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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