



RUSACK

2022 PINOT NOIR

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY



VINTAGE: 2022

VARIETAL: 100% PINOT NOIR

AVA: SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY: RUSACK VINEYARDS, SOLVANG, CA

BOTTLING DATE: JULY 2023

CASES PRODUCED: 743 CASES

RETAIL PRICE: \$34.00

RELEASE DATE: FALL 2023

FERMENTATION: TEN DAY FERMENTATION FOLLOWED BY A 20 DAY EXTENDED MACERATION IN 1 TON OPEN BINS WITH REGULAR HAND PUNCH DOWNS

AGING: 11 MONTHS

100% FRENCH OAK (32% NEW)

BOTTLE ANALYSIS: ALCOHOL: 13.4%

pH: 3.73

TA: 0.585g/100ml

TASTING NOTES: THE 2022 RUSACK SANTA BARBARA COUNTY PINOT NOIR IS A WONDERFUL EXPRESSION OF WHAT OUR AREA'S COOLER CLIMATE WINES CAN BE. PACKED WITH BRIGHT JUICY NOTES OF STRAWBERRIES, RASPBERRIES, AND CARAMEL, THIS WINE ALSO HAS SUBTLE HINTS OF ORANGE MERINGUE. FIRM ACIDITY AND AN ELEGANT BALANCE MAKE FOR A VERY APPROACHABLE, FOOD FRIENDLY, WINE.

The grapes for this Pinot Noir are sourced from the Santa Maria AVA which is located in the cool Northern most growing area of Santa Barbara County. It is influenced by morning fogs and afternoon breezes from the nearby Pacific. We had these grapes picked in the early dawn and promptly delivered to our winery. Upon arrival, the fruit was gently de-stemmed, and placed into small 1-ton bins. They then underwent a ten day fermentation/maceration process, including at least two punch downs per day. The resulting wine was then gently pressed and transferred into French oak barrels (32% new) and aged for 11 months. This wonderful Pinot was then bottled unfiltered.

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