

2022 Pinot Noir

SANTA CATALINA ISLAND

VINTAGE: 2022

VARIETAL: 100% PINOT NOIR

APPELLATION: CALIFORNIA

GROWER/RANCH: RUSACK, SANTA CATALINA ISLAND

Vineyards, El Rancho Escondido

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY: RUSACK VINEYARDS, SOLVANG, CA

BOTTLING DATE: JULY 2023

Cases Produced: 25 cases

RETAIL PRICE: \$98.00

RELEASE DATE: WINTER 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 (Once used)

BOTTLE ANALYSIS: ALCOHOL: 12.5%

PH: 3.67

TA: 0.611g/100m1

Tasting Notes: This is an elegant, sensual wine with

LUSH TEXTURE, REVEALING SUMPTUOUS

FLAVORS OF RAINIER CHERRY, POMEGRANATE,

AND CRANBERRY. BURGUNDIAN AROMATICS

OF FOREST FLOOR, ORANGE ZEST AND HINTS

OF LEATHER COMBINE WITH A DELICATE

SOFTNESS THAT LINGERS ON THE PALATE.



A match made in heaven! The 'terroir' found at Santa Catalina Island's El Ranch Escondido is unique in the world and its cool climate, morning fogs, ocean breezes and clay/loam soils make it the perfect place for Pinot Noir! In 2007, a blend of French Clones were planted in three small blocks, and due to row orientation and specific location at the ranch, each has its own micro-climate. When harvested, the grapes were fermented in 1 ton containers, with daily hand punch downs, and then gently transferred to French oak barrels. This beautiful Pinot Noir was aged in barrel for 11 months before being bottled without filtration.