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## DUTTON RANCHES 2021 PINOT NOIR

*Russian River Valley - Sonoma County*

### OUR STORY

Born from a passion for hard work and testing limits, a love of place – Russian River Valley – and enthusiasm for all things wine, Davis Bynum wines are a living legacy to their namesake – a true pioneer and champion of the Russian River Valley. Drawing on our 50 years of experience capturing the essence of the Russian River Valley we craft award-winning Chardonnay and Pinot Noir from River West Vineyard that tell the story of the land we love. This passion for the land is at the core of winemaker Greg Morthole's "Let the Land Speak" approach to winemaking. His intentionality and imagination continue the quality-driven approach of Davis Bynum and the commitment to the pursuit of excellence, quality, and consistency in all that we do. We believe great wine comes from great grapes and together we invite you to share our passion for letting the land speak.

### VINEYARD

Davis Bynum wines showcase terroir, differences in flavor from distinct sites in the Russian River Valley. The 2021 Dutton Ranches Pinot Noir comes from the Dutton Ranch-Gregori and Dutton Ranch-Lorenzo vineyards in the cooler-climate Green Valley neighborhood of the Russian River Valley AVA. The vines are growing in the fabled Goldridge sandy loam, common to that area, which provide exceptional drainage.

### THE HARVEST

The 2021 vintage was mild and dry. Seasonable weather made for very pleasant spring and summer days. Due to the even temperatures, we predicted an early harvest, but we found that the blocks were ripening slow and steady and need a little more time to ripen than in previous vintages. We waited for full flavors to develop and hand-picked the cool fruit in the early morning hours of August 27, September 1, and September 6.

### TASTE PROFILE

Fresh fruit aromas, silky tannins, fine acidity, and subtle spice nuances are traditional hallmarks of this wine. The 2021 vintage of Dutton Ranches Pinot Noir shows deep color, ripe strawberry, spicy clove and a floral note. The oak plays with the wine but is always in the background, as the fruit is center stage, and complexity fills it out. The palate is pleasingly rich but with a measure of acidity to lift, and its softness on the finish has a touch of fine tannins for aging.

***Our 2021 Dutton Ranches Pinot Noir is a vegan wine.***



#### VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

#### APPELLATION

100% Russian River Valley

#### VINEYARDS

Dutton Ranch-Gregori Vineyard  
Dutton Ranch-Lorenzo Vineyard

#### WINEMAKER

Greg Morthole

#### HARVEST DATE

8.27.2021–9.6.2021

#### AVG. BRIX AT HARVEST

24.7.0° Brix

#### SOIL

Goldridge sandy loam

#### pH

3.49

#### TA

0.59g/100ml

#### ALCOHOL

14.5%

#### CLONES

115, 667, 777

#### OAK AGING

14 months in French and European oak barrels, 100% new

