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2022 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.

THE VINEYARD

This Pinot Noir blends the characters from four different vineyards in two unique Russian River Valley neighborhoods to create a wine with complexity and balance. Red fruit, spice, and ageable tannins come from the River West and Preston vineyards located in the warm northern area known as the Middle Reach. We sourced from the two Dutton Ranch vineyards located in the cool, fog-soaked Green Valley adding vibrant berry fruit and fresh acidity to the blend.

THE HARVEST

The 2022 vintage was very mild. Rain from the previous autumn was light, and the new year entered warm and dry with daytime highs up to 70°F in early spring. An unusual sprinkle of rain in early summer was no cause for concern, and the temperature turned predictably hot a few days in June as usual, but the season was mild overall, with most summer days peaking around 85–90°F. An early start to harvest came as no surprise with the seasonable weather, as we picked the different vineyard blocks from August 16 to September 10.

TASTE PROFILE

Ripe red cherry and toasty oak aromas overlie a layer of toasted marshmallow, mineral, and caramel. Baking spice and creamy flavors follow in a nod to both variety and choice oak barrels. The mouth is smooth and balanced, creamy, with acidity underpinning, as cherry flavors hold court in a complex mélange of fruit, spice, and savory notes. The finish is elegant, with balance and grace, classic flavors of cherry compote and toasted oak through the end.

Our 2022 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir is a vegan wine.

VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

APPELLATION

100% Russian River Valley

VINEYARDS

River West, Preston, Dutton Ranch-Lorenzo,
Dutton Ranch-Gregori

WINEMAKER

Greg Morthole

HARVEST DATE

8.16.2022 – 9.10.2022

AVG. BRIX AT HARVEST

25.3° Brix

SOIL

Pleasanton gravelly clay loam, Yolo sandy clay loam, Haire clay loam and Goldridge fine sandy loam

pH

3.64

TA

0.54g/100ml

ALCOHOL

14.5%

CLONES

115, 667, 777 Pommard, Wente

OAK AGING

15 months in French and Hungarian oak barrels, 46% new

