



PINOT NOIR

2021 | RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

“Raeburn Wines are inspired by my mother, Phyllis Benham, who is most comfortable exploring the great outdoors. She taught me to appreciate nature's gifts, but “to leave well enough alone”. We take the same approach when making wine, a task made easier because we select grapes from Sonoma County's finest vineyards and carefully bring our wines to life.”

- DEREK BENHAM, RAEburn WINERY FOUNDER



VINIFICATION: Our Pinot Noir grapes are hand-picked during the cool early morning hours to preserve their fresh, delicate flavors. Once the grapes arrive at the winery, they are carefully destemmed and cold soaked for several days to enhance color and flavor. Fermentation takes place in small, open top tanks with twice daily punch downs to intensify flavor and structure. After a gentle pressing, the wine is racked into French oak barrels, 25% new, for 11 months of aging.

VINTAGE: The grapes that we sourced from the Russian River Valley region got off to a cold start that progressed to a warm & fast finish. This pattern resulted in a slightly earlier and quicker harvest this year.

WINEMAKER NOTES: Brilliant crimson in color, Raeburn Russian River Valley Pinot Noir leads with pleasing aromas of berry pie, lavender and vanilla. The palate is marked with fresh fruit flavors of lush wild blueberry, raspberry, and cherry with undertones of roasted hazelnut. The finish is graceful and sophisticated.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

ALC: 14% PH: 3.57
TA: .56 g/L SRP: \$24.99
AGING: French oak,
11 months (25% new)

VARIETAL COMPOSITION:
100% Pinot Noir
AVA: Russian River Valley
WINEMAKER: Joe Tapparo



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