

2019 Carneros Pinot Noir



TASTING NOTES

A beautiful expression of the Carneros appellation, this Pinot Noir opens with lively aromas of strawberry, ripe red cherry, and a touch of baking spice. The palate is greeted with a juicy, full-bodied mouthfeel and refreshing, well-balanced acidity that lingers on the finish.

WINEMAKER NOTES

We're not trying to make a Burgundian Pinot Noir. We are blessed with California sunshine and we have to farm with that in mind. We've learned a lot from the French and we respect the French, but we're trying to do what California does best. We have an abundance of this great fruit, so we're not going to hide it at all.

SOURCING

Winemaking starts in the vineyard and we are lucky to have been working with a few family vintners for more than a decade. The Sangiacomos in Sonoma-Carneros and the Beckstoffers in Napa Carneros farm two of the vineyards of which this wine is made. Both families are stewards of the land and masters at cultivating plush Pinot Noir grapes that capture the essence of the Carneros terroir. In the winery, we are able to 'marry' these two vineyards with our beautiful estate-grown Lewis Vineyard fruit in a way that highlights and praises all that Carneros has to offer.

AGING

10 months in 33% new French oak barrels, 67% once and twice-filled French oak barrels

Varietal Composition	100% Pinot Noir
Harvest Date	September 19 - 30, 2019
Bottled	July 2020
Acid	0.57 g/100ml
pН	3.56
Alcohol	14.5%

