

• SKETCH BOOK •

PINOT NOIR MENDOCINO COLLECTION

Vintage | 2016

HISTORY



Sketchbook Mendocino Collection is an expression of the real people, places, and tastes of Mendocino County, Northern California—a region celebrated for its wild natural beauty, free-spirited culture, and generations of independent grape growers. Each Sketchbook Wine is a master class in the art of observation, beginning—as great artworks do—with humble, honest attention to the unique characteristics of each vineyard, vine, and vintage.

VINTAGE

A mild winter encouraged an early bud break, and the cool spring that followed produced smaller cluster sizes characterized by concentrated flavors and color due to optimal skin-to-juice ratios. An early harvest produced fruit of exceptional quality.



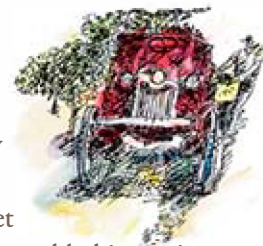
TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Mendocino County
15% Redwood Valley
25% Potter Valley
60% Ukiah Valley
COOPERAGE: Aged 8 months in American and French oak barrels



TASTING NOTES

At the cool northern extreme of California's coastal wine region, Mendocino County is known for its elegantly balanced Pinot Noir grapes. Full-flavored yet delicate tastes of cherry and baking spice linger in a velvety finish.



WINEMAKING

To preserve the delicate characteristics of true Pinot Noir, the grapes were cold-soaked for 36 hours before being inoculated with a yeast strain especially selected for its long lag time and fermentation rate: enhancing aromatic and structural complexity. The combination of stainless steel with new American oak and neutral barrel aging provides subtle texture and depth.



BOTTLING DATE: 02/15/18
CASES PRODUCED: 1000
ALCOHOL: 13.5%
TA: 0.54 g/100mL
pH: 3.62
VARIETAL COMPOSITION:
100% Pinot Noir