

• SKETCHBOOK •

PINOT NOIR MENDOCINO COLLECTION

Vintage | 2018

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

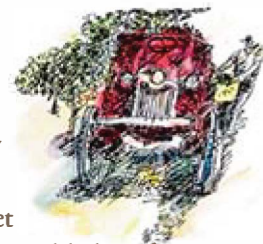
COOPERAGE:

Aged 6 months in redwood tanks



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: 02/21/20

CASES PRODUCED: 813

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

TA: 0.49 g/100mL

pH: 3.75

VARIETAL COMPOSITION:

98% Pinot Noir
2% Petite Sirah