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## PINOT NOIR MENDOCINO COLLECTION

*Vintage* | 2020

### 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.

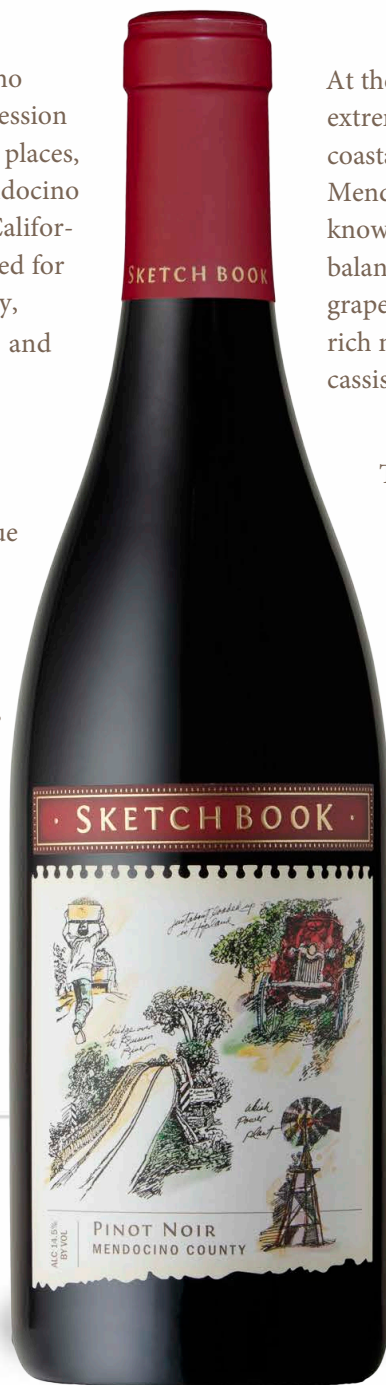
### VINTAGE

Marked by a dry, mild growing season, the 2020 harvest saw bud break occur a week earlier than 2019, with late summer heat spikes accelerating ripening at harvest. A smaller than average crop, the whites have a bright acidity with nice balance of fruit, and the reds excellent color and extraction from small berries.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

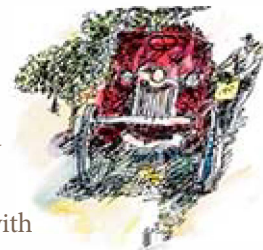
**APPELLATION:** Mendocino County

**COOPERAGE:** French Oak & Redwood Tank



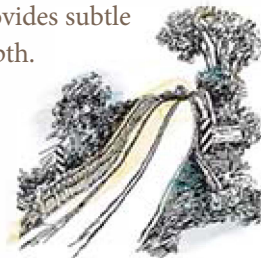
### TASTING NOTES

At the cool northern extreme of California's coastal wine region, Mendocino County is known for its elegantly balanced Pinot Noir grapes. Full-flavored with rich notes of Bing cherry, red licorice and cassis, that linger in a rounded, juicy 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 redwood tanks with French oak provides subtle texture and depth.



**BOTTLING DATE:** 09/02/21

**ALCOHOL:** 13.5%

**TA:** 0.53 g/100mL

**pH:** 3.66

**VARIETAL COMPOSITION:**

90% Pinot Noir

10% Syrah, Merlot and Grenach