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HENDRY VINEYARD NAPA VALLEY

2022 HRW PINOT NOIR

VINEYARD Grapes for the HRW wines—as for all of our wines—are grown right here on our family ranch, just west of the town of Napa. Our Pinot Noir Blocks are: 3, 4, 5, 6, 25 and 30. These blocks are all located in the lower elevations of the property, in cooler spots on the sunny side of Redwood Creek. The climate is moderated by morning fog and the afternoon maritime breeze.

The roots in these blocks include *Riparia gloire*, in the clay soils, as well as 101-14 and 3309. The roots are grafted to a variety of clones: Dijon 115, FPS 108, 96 and 97, 828 and the Joseph Swan selection. All of the vines are spaced 7' x 5' and are bilateral cordon-trained and spur-pruned.

VINTAGE In 2022, budbreak in the Pinot Noir Blocks occurred April 6th-11th. Bloom was relatively late, from June 2nd through the 10th. The grapes were harvested from September 18th to the 21st, with an average bloom-to-harvest period of 101 days. The average yield in all of our Pinot Noir blocks in 2022 was 1.38 tons per acre per acre. Low yields are vital to maintaining fruit concentration in our Pinot Noir wines.

WINEMAKING Alcoholic fermentation for the HRW wine is completed in approximately one week, using indigenous yeasts. The natural yeast present on the grapes is a robust strain that produces complex aromas and flavors. At dryness, the wine was pressed and put into 2-and-3-year-old barrels for malolactic fermentation, then barrel-aged for 11 months before bottling with a screw-cap closure.

NOTES Medium-pale, bright garnet. Spicy, savory, enticing Pinot Noir fruit on the nose. Cranberry, cherry, soy and lime on the palate. Light-bodied. Moderate tannins. Tangy cherry acidity lingers on the finish along with black tea tannins. A surprisingly aromatic and flavorful everyday Pinot Noir. Pair with roast chicken, salmon burgers, mushroom pasta, sheep's milk cheeses, vegetarian dishes, and lighter, leaner meats.

Alcohol 14.2%
Cases produced: 353
TA: 5.9
VA: 1.1