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2019 LAST STOP PINOT NOIR

TASTING NOTES

APPEARANCE

Ruby

AROMAS

Dark red berries, cola and notes of sage, cinnamon and vanilla bean

PALATE

Supple entry with plum and strawberry supported by herbal freshness

MOUTHFEEL & FINISH

Rich and plush with depth, density and long staying power

NOTES FROM THE VINEYARD

The 2019 vintage is a wonderful expression of the purity, texture and depth that can be found in Pinot Noir from the Russian River Valley. The growing season at our estate vineyard, Last Stop, began with strong winter rains that fully recharged the soil moisture profile. This set the season on the right track as the vines had the necessary water and nutrients available to produce strong canopies. Spring and early summer were relatively mild, so the resulting growth was healthy and even. As the season warmed up with long periods of beautiful sunny weather in summer and early fall, the vines successfully transitioned from their growing phase to ripening fruit. Fall weather was warm, dry and consistent, creating the ideal conditions for tannin and flavor development and allowing for a long harvest window to capture the diversity and complexity of Last Stop. Harvest for this bottling began on September 11 with the northern corner of the vineyard, Block 11, and wrapped up nine days later with the gently sloped southeastern facing Block 2. Made entirely from three heritage clones - Mount Eden, Swan and Calera - this bottling of Last Stop Pinot Noir showcases exceptional palate texture, balance and length that we look for in great Russian River Valley vintages.

HARVEST DATES

September 11-20, 2019

ALCOHOL 14.7%

AVERAGE BRIX 25.7°

BARREL AGING

14 months in barrel 7 months on primary lees

BARRELS

100% French oak, 43% new

WHOLE CLUSTER

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