

2015 MONUMENT TREE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

ANDERSON VALLEY

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

APPEARANCE Saturated crimson

AROMAS

Rose petals, black plums, a touch of fennel

PALATE Smooth and fresh entry, bright hibiscus acidity, midpalate of freshly cut redwood, a richly textured wine

FINISH Cinnamon spices, toast, acidity

MOUTHFEEL

A complex, peaty, graphite minerality

AGEABILITY

Given proper cellaring, this wine will provide drinking pleasure through 2025

PAIRINGS Spicy lamb tacos or dried cherry and walnut chutney over grilled lamb with couscous and pinenuts

VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

Monument Tree Vineyard is tucked in the far, western end of the Anderson Valley, where the ocean provides cool breezes to temper the hot afternoon sun. The 2015 growing season began with uncharacteristically hot, dry conditions, leading to early bud break. With a warm spring, the vines finished bloom by late May. The early-season warmth, followed by a dry summer, led to a smaller crop than normal and berries with ample tannins. The entire 17-acre vineyard was harvested in a brief four days with a dense, concentrated flavor profile characteristic of a warm, dry vintage.

HARVEST DATES

September 5 - 9, 2015

ALCOHOL 13 9%

AVERAGE BRIX 24.5°

WHOLE CLUSTER 20%

BARRELS 100% French Oak

Barrique barrels, 27% new,

17 months élevage

RELEASE DATE

September 1, 2017



