

# TWOMEY

# 2016 ANDERSON VALLEY PINOT NOIR

## **TASTING NOTES**

#### **APPEARANCE**

Red rose with a purple hue rim

AROMAS Cola, redwood forest, fresh rose petals, cranberry, brown sugar, and basil

PALATE Great deep floral pine, black pepper and sour cherry

### FINISH

Lengthens out to a silky finish

MOUTHFEEL Juicy entry, layers of tannin and a lingering finish

AGEABILITY The youthful tannins at release speak to its age-worthiness, will easily continue to improve for another 7 to 10 years given proper cellaring

PAIRINGS Barbecued lamb on a bed of sautéed garlic and rainbow chard

### NOTES FROM THE VINEYARD

The 2016 growing season began with much needed rain until March, when well-drained hillside soils dried out. Budbreak began in mid-March, a little later compared to the previous 3 years, and bloom promised average yields for each vineyard. Summer was mild with only a few intermittent heat waves. This allowed the grapes to ripen at an ideal pace with sugar and acids evolving in tandem. Harvest was longer and later than past years allowing us to pick at our leisure. The late summer and early fall brought the seasonal shift we typically experience in Anderson Valley. Cooler, fog-laden mornings developed into sunny and warm afternoons followed by the crisp marine breezes in the evenings.

#### **VINEYARDS**

Monument Tree Estate Vineyard Ferrington Vineyard

#### HARVEST DATES

August 16 - September 13, 2016

ALCOHOL 14.1%

**AVERAGE BRIX 24.3°** 

BARREL AGING 14 months in barrel; 10 months on primary lees

#### BARRELS

100% French Oak; 22% New

WHOLE CLUSTER 25%

RELEASE DATE

April 28, 2018