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2018 ANDERSON VALLEY PINOT NOIR

TASTING NOTES

APPEARANCE

Dark ruby

AROMAS

Kirsch, black raspberry, rich black truffle notes

PALATE

Focused and complex

MOUTHFEEL

Supple, layered tannins provide structure

FINISH

Broad with flavors of orange peel and dark spice

NOTES FROM THE VINEYARD

Evocative of years past in Anderson Valley, cooler temperatures followed the touch of warmth in February that kicked off the 2018 growing season. Spring was not as warm as in recent years, which led to an elongated bloom. Fruit set was steady and timely, followed by a mild summer that extended veraison late into the season. The daily diurnal shifts—an Anderson Valley hallmark—were moderated by the cooler summer temperatures with few heat spikes that allowed the fruit to mature slowly and steadily, lengthening the growing season. This presented a balanced, healthy crop with enticing intensity of freshness, concentration of fruit flavor and full phenolic development—the ideal situation for growers and winemakers. The vintage was enchanting and memorable, which translated with ease into the wine.

VINEYARD

Monument Tree Vineyard, Estate Owned Ferrington Vineyard Middle Ridge Vineyard

HARVEST DATES

September 5-28, 2018

ALCOHOL

13.9%

AVERAGE BRIX

23.7°

BARREL AGING

14 months in barrel; 8 months on primary lees

BARRELS

100% French oak; 24% New

WHOLE CLUSTER

37%

RELEASE DATE

May 2020