

2022 ESTATE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

Russian River Valley

TASTING NOTES

The centerpiece of our portfolio is Arista's Estate Pinot Noir. This wine is made exclusively from sustainably farmed vines located on our Westside Road estate. In the heart of the Middle Reach of the Russian River Valley, the 10-acre vineyard was planted in 2006 to 100% heritage selections of Pinot noir under the direction of legendary vineyard manager Ulises Valdez. Of all the neighborhoods of the Russian River Valley, the Middle Reach has risen to fame as host to the oldest vineyards in the appellation, and also as the source of the region's most prodigious wines.

The 2022 Estate Pinot Noir is a textbook example of what is possible in this celebrated appellation. Concentrated yet balanced, the wine melds notes of elderberry reduction, raspberry, black cherry, pencil lead, and toasted brioche. A balance of highly polished tannins and expansive, ripe blue fruit flavors - signatures of Middle Reach wines - offer undiluted luxury across the palate. A sublime juxtaposition of opulence and gravitas, the 2022 Estate Pinot Noir represents the purest expression of our ethos as grape growers and winemakers at Arista and will continue to improve in the cellar for years to come.

Peak drinking window: 2025 through 2035.

VINEYARD NOTES

The Arista Estate Pinot Noir is a blend of our four estate vineyard blocks, designed to capture a perfect snapshot of our estate in each vintage. The wine includes grapes from our Harper's Rest, Two Birds, Seven Stories, and Bee Tree sites which are planted across our Westside Road estate. Each block was planted atop a unique soil type - Zamora clay loam, Arbuckle Gravelly loam, and Sobrante silt loam primarily - in order to display the nuances Pinot Noir can achieve. Each vineyard block is harvested separately when the grapes reach their peak of ripeness, and are then fermented in small lots. After fermentation, winemaker Matt Courtney blends the lots together, aiming to craft a wine that is distinctive yet harmonious.

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