



2022 UV VINEYARD

PINOT NOIR

Russian River Valley

TASTING NOTES

UV Vineyard sits at the top of a low-lying ridge in the heart of the Russian River Valley AVA. This is truly the tenderloin of the appellation - to the east lie the warmer lowlands of the Laguna de Santa Rosa, and to the west lie the exposed ridgetops of the Sonoma coast. UV Vineyard is situated in the "Goldilocks" zone in between these two extremes. There are many famous Russian River Valley vineyards in this narrow corridor, but maybe none with such a pure example of Goldridge soil - the almost white powdery soil series that gives Russian River Valley wines their renowned energy and elegance.

Dark translucent garnet in color, the 2022 UV Vineyard Pinot Noir is a perfect example of the region's fusion of sophistication and vibrancy. Delicate aromatics of roses, candied strawberries, and wet stones are accented by a subtle toasty barrel note. On the palate, the wine has a vibrating intensity powered by well-integrated natural acidity. A dense core of blue and red fruits is both concentrated yet lively on the palate.

Peak drinking window: 2025 through 2030.

VINEYARD NOTES

Planted by the now-legendary Ulises Valdez in 2001, the UV vineyard is a site we've loved for over 15 years. This exceptional vineyard sits at the top of a low lying ridge in the heart of the Russian River Valley AVA. Specifically known as the Laguna Ridge, this is truly the tenderloin of the appellation - to the east lie the warmer lowlands of the Laguna de Santa Rosa, and to the west lie the exposed ridge tops of the Sonoma coast. This narrow strip of vineyard land is home to some of the state's most famous Pinot Noir vineyards, but few if any are as renowned as UV.

Here, in this "Goldilocks" zone, the "Swan" and "Calera" selections of Pinot Noir thrive on a pure example of Goldridge soil. This powdery, nearly-white soil series gives Russian River Pinot Noirs their renowned energy and elegance and is abundant in the UV Vineyard.

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