

MIGRATION®

HISTORY Since its founding in 2001, Migration has been dedicated to exploring Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from California's finest cool-climate appellations, most notably the legendary Sonoma Coast. Today, Migration works with some of the most acclaimed growers in California to produce a small portfolio of sought-after Chardonnays and Pinot Noirs, including its flagship Sonoma Coast wines and coveted vineyard-designates. In recent years, the Migration portfolio has expanded to other cool-climate varietals, including Grüner Veltliner, Syrah and sparkling wines—all made in a refined and compelling style that balances vibrancy and finesse with vineyard-driven complexity.

Embodying the lush elegance of cool-climate California winegrowing, Migration's exploration of the great Burgundian varietals began in the Anderson Valley, where The Duckhorn Portfolio cultivates three estate Pinot Noir vineyards, spanning more than 130 vine acres. Shaped by the valley's cool nights, fog-shrouded mornings and mild, sunny afternoons, this world-class fruit established Migration's stylistic identity—producing sophisticated wines with abundant fruit and bright acidity.

Building on what Migration had already achieved with Pinot Noir, making Chardonnay in a similar style became a natural next step. In 2008, Migration produced its first Chardonnay, using fruit from elite vineyard sources in the Russian River Valley. Representing the first Chardonnay in The Duckhorn Portfolio's storied history, this highly anticipated wine was released in the spring of 2010. Beginning in 2011, Migration also began making a Russian River Valley Pinot Noir, and together, these two exceptional wines form the cornerstone of the Migration portfolio.

Guided by winemaker Dana Epperson—a cool-climate Pinot Noir and Chardonnay specialist—Migration has taken flight. Defined by the idea of movement, Migration has gone beyond its original boundaries to explore Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from several of California's finest cool-climate appellations. This includes working with such renowned vineyards as Dierberg and Bien Nacido in the Santa Maria Valley, Charles Heintz Vineyard on the Sonoma Coast, and Drum Canyon Vineyard in the Sta. Rita Hills. It has also found a stylistic home among the great vineyards of the Russian River Valley, where Migration has established its own Running Creek Vineyard, which features 70 acres of Pinot Noir and 20 acres of Chardonnay. From this exceptional site, and other acclaimed properties, including Dutton Ranch, Migration makes its flagship Sonoma Coast wines.

In May of 2021 Migration opened a tasting room in the picturesque Carneros region of Napa Valley. Located at 1451 Stanly Lane, the Migration tasting room is ideally situated between Napa Valley and Sonoma County, less than an hour's drive from San Francisco and Oakland. Offering an elegant, upscale farmhouse aesthetic that reflects the breezy natural beauty of Carneros wine country, the tasting room hosts guests for by-appointment seated tastings of Migration's acclaimed cool-climate wine.



THE DUCKHORN PORTFOLIO

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