

2018 MT. HARLAN PINOT NOIR MILLS VINEYARD

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VINTAGE NOTES

The quality of the 2018 growing season on Mt. Harlan was fantastic. After warm early spring weather led to an early budbreak, the temperatures cooled in latespring, followed by sunny days with moderate temperatures throughout the summer. This provided us with long hangtimes, which resulted in exceptional ripeness, while preserving excellent natural acidity in the grapes. The one negative was that the cool early weather during bloom caused a bit of shatter and reduced yields. While the crops were small, the quality was outstanding, producing beautifully complex wines, with lovely structure, and pure, varietal flavors.

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APPELLATION	Mt. Harlan	PH	3.58
VINEYARD	Mills Vineyard	ACIDITY	0.62 g/100 ml
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Pinot Noir	ROOTSTOCK	Own rooted
	Aged 18 months in 100% French oak 30% new, 70% neutral	CLONES	Calera Selection
ALCOHOL	14.4%	SOILS	Limestone
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