

2018 CALIFORNIA PINOT NOIR

Building on the traditions established by our acclaimed Goldeneye and Migration wines, Decoy Pinot Noir expands our exploration of the depth and diversity of this varietal to California winegrowing. Highlighting a distinctly plush and approachable expression of Pinot Noir, Decoy is crafted to be ready upon release.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2018 growing season began with a cool winter, and just enough rain to replenish the vineyards. A temperate spring followed by mild weather throughout the summer allowed the grapes to ripen at a very measured pace, something we love to see in our vineyards. After several years of early harvests, the relatively mild weather and a healthy sized crop led to a return to more normal harvest times. After enjoying abundant hangtime to fully ripen, the quality of the grapes was extremely impressive. Overall, our 2018 whites and rosé show an ideal combination of lovely fruit-forward flavors and elegance, while the reds are lush and complex, with great color and concentration.

WINEMAKER NOTES

From its enticing bouquet to its layers of lush, pure fruit, this wine captures the vibrant charm of great California Pinot Noir. On the nose, aromas of raspberry, strawberry and rose petal rise from the glass, along with hints of rosemary and peppermint. The palate is soft and silky, with supple tannins accentuating the ripe berry flavors and helping to carry the wine to a bright and focused finish.

WINEMAKING

Appellation California

Regional Sources 51% Sonoma County, 26% Central Coast,

10% Mendocino County, 10% California, 3% Napa Valley

Varietal Composition 100% Pinot Noir Oak Profile & Aging 100% French oak

8 months

Alcohol 14.1% pH 3.56

Acidity 0.64 g/100 ml



