



2017 Ten Degrees Anderson Valley Pinot Noir

In 1996, building on their tradition of excellence established at Duckhorn Vineyards, and their growing love of Pinot Noir, Dan and Margaret Duckhorn came to Anderson Valley to found Goldeneye. Anderson Valley has since earned acclaim as one of the world's greatest Pinot Noir regions. Representing the pinnacle of our winemaking portfolio, Ten Degrees is made from only our finest lots, making it a Pinot Noir of unparalleled grace and grandeur.

In the Vineyards

The 2017 season began with plentiful rains that resulted in healthy vines and an excellent crop. After ideal temperate weather throughout the summer, a significant September heat spell ushered in a brisk start to harvest. A return to normal temperatures, combined with thoughtful irrigation, slowed the pace and allowed us to continue picking each site at optimal levels of ripeness. The grapes arrived at our winery in exceptional condition, resulting in complex wines that embody the rustic elegance of great Anderson Valley winemaking.

Comments from the Winemaker

The pinnacle of our portfolio, Ten Degrees showcases the depth and diversity of our Anderson Valley estate vineyards, offering fragrant layers of blueberry and blackberry, as well as sophisticated notes of redwood forest, moist earth and spice. Though rich and alluring on the palate, a beam of bright acidity adds depth and nuance to the dark berry flavors, with hints of tobacco leaf, anise and pennyroyal revealing themselves as the wine evolves in the glass.

Varietal Content

100% Pinot Noir

Harvest Information

Appellation: Anderson Valley
Harvest Dates: September 3 – 29
Average Sugar at Harvest: 25.0° Brix
3 vineyards harvested

Cooperage

100% new French oak
Barrel Aging: 16 months

Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.5%
0.531 g/100 ml titratable acidity
15 days fermentation at 75°F
pH: 3.73

