

LIONS HEAD

LUXURY COLLECTION

2019 PANTHERA PINOT NOIR SONOMA COAST



BORN BOLD WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT

Boldness doesn't always have to roar. The power of these wines comes from the adept control and balance of fruit, acid, oak and time. Panthera wines are inspired by the subtleties in strength—captured through the bright acidity created by the cool climate in the Sonoma Coast and coaxed into powerful flavors by the winemaker at the blending table.

FROM THE CELLAR

“Panthera Pinot Noir showcases dynamic tension in winestyle as this wine displays both a vibrant purity of fruit and a confident oak profile. Expansive and silky on palate, notes of red plum, raspberry compote and Bing cherry work in harmony with elegant tannins, supported by a signature backbone of acidity nurtured on the Sonoma Coast. The deft baseline of toasted oak introduces hints of clove and baking spice to round out the perfectly balanced, lingering finish.”

– Stephanie Pope, Winemaker

TECHNOLOGY AND WINEMAKING

Our Lions Head Cellar houses some of the most progressive winemaking technology allowing our winemakers to craft wines of exceptional quality that showcase the distinctive lands they come from. The winemakers leverage tools like our optical sorter, which ensures only the highest quality berries are delivered to the fermentation tanks; and cutting-edge tanks, which facilitate 24/7 monitoring of pumpovers and micro-adjustments to be made throughout the winemaking process.

RESILIENCE IN THE VINEYARD

Every vintage and harvest presents a unique set of obstacles, and we approach every year ready to face the challenge. Vintage 2019 began with occasional rains and cooler temperatures, which brought soil saturation and allowed fruit to mature steadily. Summer helped the grapes to ripen, and the warm days and cool nights of the fall fostered gradual sugar accumulation and longer hang times. Harvest began slightly later than normal in some areas, with fruit picked at its peak, promising exceptional flavor in bottle.

BLEND:	100% Pinot Noir
ALCOHOL:	14.4%
PH:	3.89
TA:	0.46 gms/100ml
COOPERAGE:	Aged for 9 months in 100% Burgundy French oak barrels; 30% new
CLONES:	777, 115, 667, Martini
HARVESTED:	October 1, 2019
CASES:	2,960 (9L)
PANTHERA:	[pan-ther--AH] Scientific genus of all large and powerful cats