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LUXURY COLLECTION

2019 | SMALL BLOCK SERIES PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

BLEND: 100% Pinot Noir

APPELLATION: Russian River Valley

ALCOHOL: 14.7% PH: 3.84

TA: 0.5 gms/100ml

HARVESTED: September 3 - 23, 2019

CASES: 370 cases

ARTISTRY IN BOTTLE

Small Block Series wines thrive under next generation leaders Tim and Sabrina Persson. These wines honor winemaking practices that explore distinctive vineyards and artisan techniques. The Small Block Series reflects the next generation's pursuit of state-of-the-art innovations in the winery, and their desire to express the personalities of Napa Valley and Sonoma grapes in bottle.

RESILIENCE IN THE VINEYARD

Each vintage presents a unique set of conditions, and we approach every year ready to face the challenge. Vintage 2019 began slightly later than normal in some areas, but nonetheless delivered superb results. Spring was marked by occasional rains, which brought welcome soil saturation, and cooler temperatures, which allowed fruit to mature at a steady pace. Summer helped the grapevines to ripen and catch up from their late start. The warm days and cool nights of the fall allowed gradual sugar accumulation and longer hang times, promising fruit of the highest quality with structural beauty from balanced tannin, sugar and acid levels. Harvest began slightly later than normal in some areas with fruit picked at its peak, promising exceptional flavor in bottle.

FROM THE CELLAR

"Cherry, fresh red berry, leather and earth tones frame the aromas of our Small Block Russian River Valley Pinot Noir. A supple entry with vibrant dried cherry and cranberry flavors complements the silky tannins and a hint of toasted vanilla. The acidity makes the wine dance across the palate, lingering with a long subtle smoky nuance."

- Stephanie Pope, Winemaker

CURATED CULINARY PAIRING

"Pinot Noir is a classic partner with Sonoma duck breast or Sonoma's famed CK Lamb. Mushroom risotto pairs wonderfully. Soft Brie, Camembert, Gruyere and goat cheeses are my go to selections."

- Chad Hendrickson, Executive Chef

COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

We are proud to support the Land Trust of Napa County, a community-based nonprofit dedicated to preserving the character of Napa by permanently protecting land.

