

2021 SINGLE BLOCK RESERVE

CARNEROS PINOT NOIR HYPERSONIC

INTRODUCTION

When we replanted the southern part of our ranch in 2016, one block was particularly appealing due to its gentle slope and western-facing aspect. We decided to plant this block with Mt. Eden clone of Pinot Noir, which is somewhat similar to Calera, with smaller clusters and berries with a slightly different flavor profile. We have been very pleased with how this clone has performed and for the first time, in 2021, we decided to bottle it as its own single-block reserve wine. The name Hypersonic is derived from two artworks on property: Doug Aitken's Sonic Mountain, which sits just east of this block, and Yang Bao's Hyperdrive, a musical composition that he composed for a live performance at our Estate, which took place just north of this block. The musical nature of both pieces speaks to the harmony and vibrancy of our Hypersonic Pinot Noir.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Deep ruby, verging on purple, the 2021 Hypersonic has powerful aromas of mulberry, dusty raspberry and Santa Rosa plum. The palate shows ripe red berry and black cherry, with a hint of peach, along with graphite and clove. Good acid provides structure with an intense floral finish. Drink from 2023-2029.

FRUIT
100% Mt. Eden

HARVEST DATE
September 3, 2021

ESTATE BOTTLED
February 8, 2023

CASES PRODUCED
174 cases

AGING
16 months in 75% new French oak

