

## **2023 COLLECTION SERIES**

## CARNEROS PINOT NOIR PEARL

## INTRODUCTION

For the first time, we were able to produce more than a single barrel of Pearl, with two barrels crafted from the 2023 vintage. This wine comes from a small planting of Martini clone Pinot Noir, one of the few California Pinot clones dating back to the Pre-Prohibition Era. Fermentation takes place in a special, wooden egg-shaped vessel known as *The Perle*, custom-built by Quintessence Cooperage in Bordeaux. The result is a singular and expressive interpretation of Carneros Pinot Noir.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Deep ruby in color, the 2023 Pearl offers dark, concentrated aromas of boysenberry, blackberry, black cherry and cracked pepper. The palate continues the theme, with intense dark fruit layered with notes of black pepper, vanilla and violets. The finish is richly textured, with lush tannins and a subtle, lingering spice. Drink from 2026-2032.

FRUIT
100% Martini
HARVEST DATE
September 19, 2023
ESTATE BOTTLED
January 28, 2025
CASES PRODUCED
47 cases
AGING
16 months in 100% new French oak

