

2023 SINGLE-VINEYARD RESERVE

SAVOY VINEYARD PINOT NOIR PINOLE

INTRODUCTION

The acquisition of Savoy Vineyard in 2023 marked a significant milestone for Donum. As one of the first vineyards in Anderson Valley planted with the explicit goal of producing world-class Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, Savoy retains many of its original plantings from the early 1990s. As we began to understand what makes this site so unique and special, one major factor stood out: its remarkable soil diversity, with four distinct soil types found across this relatively small ranch.

In the process of blending our Savoy Vineyard Pinot Noirs, it became apparent that each soil type contributed a unique expression. We found the results were better when wines from the different soil types were kept separate rather than blended together. The final 2023 blends reflect these distinctions, with the two predominant soil types featured individually. Pinole soil, which is higher in sand, offers excellent drainage and supports deeper root development, yielding a wine with a lighter, brighter profile and added complexity from the extensive root system.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2023 Pinole Pinot Noir exhibits a saturated ruby hue. Aromas of black cherry and vanilla open on the nose, unfolding into layers of plum and red currant. On the palate, notes of blueberry and cherry are complemented by hints of cinnamon and slate. This beguiling mix of red and black fruit carries through to the finish, which is bright and medium in weight, yet dense, supported by vibrant acidity. Drink from 2026-2034.



