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GIFT OF THE LAND

2018 SINGLE BLOCK RESERVE RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR HERITAGE CLONES

INTRODUCTION

In 2015 we decided to graft part of our Winside Vineyard to different clones of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. The advantage of grafting is that it allows us to bring plant diversity to the vineyard while keeping the existing root system, which is the source of the depth and complexity associated with mature vines. One of the clones that we grafted is the Calera selection, which has been one of our favorites on our Carneros Estate ranch. This decision was immediately rewarded, as from the very first vintage it has been clear that this clone performs exceedingly well at Winside. The Heritage Clones Pinot Noir is a selection of the top barrels from this block.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Deep ruby with a hint of purple, the concentration of the 2018 Heritage Clones is apparent just from the appearance. On the nose classic aromas of Calera Clone Pinot Noir are present: blueberry, plum, violets and lavender. These are echoed on the palate, along with robust tannins that lend structure, and rich, dark fruit flavors that carry through on the long, intense finish. Always a favorite for its ability to combine freshness with ripe fruit flavor, the 2018 leans into these attributes even more than prior vintages.

ACCOLADES

95+ Points, Robert Parker, *THE WINE ADVOCATE*

FRUIT

100% Calera clone from the Winside Vineyard

HARVEST DATE

September 19, 2018

ESTATE BOTTLED

January 23, 2020

CASES PRODUCED

121 Cases

AGING

80% new French oak

ALCOHOL

14.7%



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