

DONUM

GIFT OF THE LAND

2023 SINGLE-VINEYARD RESERVE CARNEROS PINOT NOIR WHITE BARN

INTRODUCTION

First produced in 2016, White Barn comes from a block of Wadenswil clone Pinot Noir planted on a western-facing slope in front of the Donum Home. This late-ripening clone is harvested at lower sugar levels to highlight the red fruit, with whole bunches used during fermentation to add complexity and savory notes. White Barn demonstrates that a lighter-style Pinot Noir can still deliver the depth of flavor and intensity found in riper styles. For the first time in 2023, a portion of the blend comes from a block of Calera clone, located beside the other “white barn” on our property near our pond. We continue to use whole clusters, but the fruit is crushed by foot treading before fermentation, enhancing the wine’s savory character.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Light to medium ruby in color, with black fruit and citrus rind aromas, complemented by subtle notes of black tea and petrol. The palate is lighter in weight, with juicy red cherry and Santa Rosa plum, accented by a hint of five-spice. Bright and vibrant, with mineral undertones, the finish is savory and laced with lingering spice. Drink from 2026-2032.

FRUIT

70% Wadenswil 2A, 30% Calera

HARVEST DATE

September 12, 2023

ESTATE BOTTLED

January 28, 2025

CASES PRODUCED

235 cases

AGING

16 months in 40% new French oak



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