



2018 MT. HARLAN PINOT NOIR SELLECK VINEYARD

Calera's Mt. Harlan Vineyards are located in the Gavilan Mountains 25 miles east of the Monterey Bay. The site was chosen for its limestone soils and ideal climate. At an average elevation of 2,200 feet it is among the highest and coolest vineyard sites in California.

VINTAGE NOTES

The quality of the 2018 growing season on Mt. Harlan was fantastic. After warm early spring weather led to an early budbreak, the temperatures cooled in late-spring, followed by sunny days with moderate temperatures throughout the summer. This provided us with long hangtimes, which resulted in exceptional ripeness, while preserving excellent natural acidity in the grapes. The one negative was that the cool early weather during bloom caused a bit of shatter and reduced yields. While the crops were small, the quality was outstanding, producing beautifully complex wines, with lovely structure, and pure, varietal flavors.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Embodying the poise and power that make the 1975 Pinot Noir plantings at Selleck Vineyard so remarkable, this gorgeous wine begins with luxurious aromas of blackberry, raspberry and Rainier cherry, along with subtle notes of menthol and petrichor. The generous dark berry layers are echoed on the robust palate, where they mingle with hints of blackberry jam and white pepper, with firm, grippy tannins adding depth and the promise of a long life ahead.



WINEMAKING

APPELLATION Mt. Harlan ROOTSTOCK St. George

VINEYARD Selleck Vineyard CLONES Calera

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Pinot Noir SOILS Limestone

FERMENTATION Whole cluster fermented OAK PROFILE & AGING Aged 18 months in barrel,

30% new French oak with native yeast

ALCOHOL 14.5%

PH 3.59

ACIDITY 0.62 g/100 ml

