

## 2022 MT. HARLAN PINOT NOIR DE VILLIERS VINEYARD

Calera's Mt. Harlan Vineyards are located in the Gabilan Mountains 25 miles east of the Monterey Bay. Selected for its limestone soils and ideal climate, this site's average elevation of 2,200 feet makes it one of California's highest and coolest vineyards.

## VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 vintage from the majestic hills of Mt. Harlan reflects the character of an extraordinary growing season, yielding profoundly robust yet dynamic wines with concentrated flavors and impeccable balance. Despite another year of drought, two much-needed winter rain events brought a total of 12 inches of rainfall, nurturing the vines for an impressive vintage. Moderate spring temperatures ensured ideal budbreak, followed by a summer of abundant sunshine and temperatures ranging from the upper 70s to low 80s. These conditions produced wines of remarkable quality, destined to be celebrated for years to come.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

A refined and richly layered Pinot Noir, this wine opens with inviting aromas of blackberry, cocoa bean, and a touch of aged cedar. On the palate, vibrant notes of black raspberry and fresh strawberry are framed by velvety tannins, with a hint of allspice adding depth to the long, complex finish.

## WINEMAKING

APPELLATION Mt. Harlan

VINEYARD de Villiers Vineyard

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Pinot Noir

OAK PROFILE & AGING Aged 18 months in 100% French oak

30% new, 70% neutral

ALCOHOL 14.5%

PH 3.55

ACIDITY 0.64 g/100 ml

ROOTSTOCK Blend

CLONES Calera Selection

SOILS Limestone

FERMENTATION 75% whole cluster with indigenous yeast

