

2015 Sonoma County Pinot Noir

Building on the traditions established by our acclaimed Goldeneye and Migration wines, Decoy Pinot Noir expands our exploration of the depth and diversity of this varietal to Sonoma County winegrowing. Highlighting a distinctly plush and approachable expression of Pinot Noir, Decoy is crafted to be ready upon release.

2015 Harvest Notes

In Sonoma County, a warm, dry spring resulted in any early budbreak, while an extended flowering period brought a return to normal yields after three years of abundant crops. With berry weights down, the grapes offered great concentration, while retaining excellent acidity. We had one of our earliest harvests in the past decade, but a light rain in mid-September nourished the vines and provided welcome additional hangtime. Overall, the quality of the fruit was exceptional, with our white wines showing both richness and complexity, and our red grapes displaying a fine balance between elegance and intensity, with gorgeous dark fruit flavors.

Comments from the Winemaker

From its enticing bouquet to its layers of lush, pure fruit, this wine captures the vibrant charm of great cool-climate Sonoma County Pinot Noir. On the nose, aromas of cherry, strawberry and cassis rise from the glass, along with hints of violet and cola. The palate is soft and silky, with supple tannins accentuating the ripe berry flavors and helping to carry the wine to bright, focused finish.

Varietal Content

100% Pinot Noir

Harvest Information

Harvest Dates: August 26-September 13, 2015

Average Sugar at Harvest: 25.5° Brix

Cooperage

8 months 100% French Oak 30% New, 70% Neutral

Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 13.9% 0.56 g/100 ml titratable acidity 12 days fermentation at 80°F pH: 3.68

Bottled: June 2016

