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# 2022 CALIFORNIA 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 California winegrowing. Highlighting a distinctly plush and approachable expression of Pinot Noir, Decoy is crafted to be ready upon release.

## VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 harvest got off to an early start, with relatively low yields and warm late-July and early-August weather driving ripeness in many key appellations. As a result, we began harvesting Sauvignon Blanc, Merlot, Zinfandel and Pinot Noir all in the first weeks of harvest. Early September brought a significant heat event to much of the state. During this period we meticulously monitored the weather reports, and our crews worked tirelessly to bring the fruit from each appellation in at ideal ripeness. After minor rains in late-September that cooled down the vines, we concluded harvest in late October. Although the pace was brisk, the wines are absolutely amazing, with bright, fruit-forward whites, and opulent and beautifully structured reds.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

This vibrant Pinot Noir combines enticing aromas of Bing cherry, strawberry preserves and chocolate, with more savory notes of soy sauce and fresh forest floor. The bright red berry layers are echoed on the palate where they are framed by energetic acidity and supple tannins that carry the flavors to a dynamic finish with just a hint of caramel and oak spice.

THE DUCKHORN PORTFOLIO

#### WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	California
SUB-APPELLATION	Central Coast, Sonoma County
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Pinot Noir
OAK PROFILE & AGING	Aged 11 months in 100% French oak 30% new, 70% neutral
ALCOHOL	13.9%
PH	3.78
ACIDITY	0.56 g/100 ml



