



2023 Anderson Valley Pinot Noir

Cerise Vineyard

Located high in the heart of Anderson Valley, the steep, southwest-facing slopes of the famed Cerise Vineyard rise in elevation from 700 to 1,700 feet, creating one of our most unique and intriguing vineyards. Echoing the untamed, rustic beauty of the site, Cerise produces a singular expression of Pinot Noir with a robust structure, vibrant layers of lush red fruit, and savory dried herb, earth and meat undertones.

Vintage Notes

After ample winter rains replenished the soils, a cold spring delayed budbreak and set the stage for a long, slow growing season. With cooler temperatures into the summer months, full veraison was delayed until early August. We began harvesting our sparkling grapes on September 8th, with our still wine picks commencing on September 27th and concluding on October 30th. Though one of the coolest vintages in memory, even at lower sugar levels, our 2023 grapes showed exceptional color and concentration. As a result, 2023 looks to be one of the finest Anderson Valley vintages ever, offering wines with beautiful structure, refined tannins and a distinctive elegance.

Winemaking Notes

This expressive Pinot Noir from the renowned Cerise Vineyard opens with vivid aromas of sage, mint, fresh tobacco leaf, wet stone, and a sanguine note. The palate is structured and smooth, with firm tannins framing flavors of bergamot, black walnut, and fresh sage. A medium-bodied wine with a lingering finish that captures the vineyard's distinctive character.

Appellation · Anderson Valley

Vineyard · Cerise Vineyard

Varietal Composition · 100% Estate Pinot Noir

Selection · We conduct monthly assessments of our 100+ different lots and rate each to begin formulating our ideal blend.

Alcohol · 13.5%

PH · 3.54

Acidity · 0.60 g/100 mL

Oak Profile & Aging · Aged 16 months in 100% French oak, 35% new, 28% 1-Fill, 36% neutral

Soils · Hopland Witherell Squawrock Complex

Fermentation · Small lot open-top fermentations utilizing a combination of cap management strategies.

Clones · 115 & 2A

Rootstock · 101-14, 140, AXR

