

Goldeneye

2020 ANDERSON VALLEY PINOT NOIR THE NARROWS VINEYARD

Situated on a narrow ridgetop at the northernmost tip of the Anderson Valley, The Narrows Vineyard is a historic mountain ranch planted with mature Pinot Noir vines. A mere 10 miles from the rugged Mendocino Coast, this vineyard is affected by strong marine influences that produce summer fog and cooler daytime temperatures. It is the perfect setting for growing grapes of great intensity that embody the vineyard's rugged beauty and wildness.

VINTAGE NOTES

After a very dry winter and a cold early spring, April and May brought warmer weather to Anderson Valley, along with budbreak and bloom. As the summer progressed, the temperatures grew warmer, with a significant mid-August heat spike marking the beginning of our sparkling wine harvest. While mid-August also brought wildfires to much of wine country, our distance from the smoke minimized the impact. Even so, we did extensive testing to ensure only the finest grapes were used for our 2020 wines, excluding any fruit that did not meet our standards. While 2020 produced a small crop, the wines are beautifully concentrated, with lovely tension, firm tannins, savory notes and vibrant, fresh-fruit flavors.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Located in the cold "deep end" of the Anderson Valley, The Narrows has yielded a complex Pinot Noir with fascinating aromas of blackberry, salted caramel, leather, redwood bark, fresh oregano and moist, mineral-laden earth. On the palate, this ever-evolving wine is both cerebral and soulful, with velvety tannins and seamless acidity adding depth and dimension to lush layers of black cherry, pomegranate, Darjeeling tea, spearmint and exotic spices.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Anderson Valley		
VINEYARDS	The Narrows Vineyard		
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% estate Pinot Noir		
OAK PROFILE & AGING	Aged in French oak for 16 months 38% new, 62% neutral		
ALCOHOL	14.2%	ROOTSTOCK	110R, 16-16C, 99-R, 3309
pH	3.57	CLONES	Mt. Eden, FPS97, TCVS A, 777, IH, Pommard, 115
ACIDITY	0.57 g/100 ml	SOILS	Hopland-Wohly & Wolfey-Bearwallow complex
FERMENTATION	Small lot, open-top fermentations with twice daily punch downs and/or pumpovers.		



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