

Ernest Vineyards

*Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast*



From the producer: "THE VINEYARD: Ever expanding our understanding of the Freestone-Occidental subregion, in this vintage we added a new source into our existing blend. Still a collection of our fruit forward barrels from Freestone combined with the Petaluma Gap site, the new site offers density of fruit and color while maintaining the aromatics that we require out of this bottling. Primary fermentation on native yeasts with a small amount of stem inclusion, this wine is aged in 228L French Oak barrels, 25% new. Bottled at nine months of elevage with a light filtration."

Grape varieties : Pinot Noir

Alcohol : 13%

Tasting notes :

Richly concentrated aromas of ripe red cherries and plums with savory notes of underbrush, dusty roses, and dried herbs. With little to no influence of barrels on the aromas or palate, this wine reveals a mouth-watering acidity followed by a touch of salty cherry, earthy notes, and berries compote. The low alcohol level allows for a clear and pure expression of the maritime influence on the sites, which is revealed in its focus and precision, plus the savory character derived from the judicious use of stems. The mouthfeel is fuller than expected with great generosity of fruit and terroir nuances, framed by firm but ripe tannins and a lingering juicy aftertaste.

Press Notes

Decanter

2023 94 points

James Suckling

2023 93 points

AG Vinous

2023 92 points

Wine Enthusiast

2023 93 points

