



# DUTTON ESTATE

## WINERY

### 2017 PINOT NOIR GREEN VALLEY ROAD, DUTTON RANCH

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY, SONOMA COUNTY

#### TECHNICAL DATA

APPELLATION: Russian River Valley

VINEYARD: Green Valley Vineyard

SOIL: Goldridge, Sandy Loam

CLONE: 115

HARVEST: September 5th

BRIX AT HARVEST: 26.5

FERMENTATION: Night picked by hand, hand sorted, gently de-stemmed, 4 day cold soak in small open top tanks, slow/cool fermentation, punchdown by hand once a day, drained and gently pressed to barrel

YEAST: BRL97

AGING: 75% new French oak, medium toast Mercury and Remond Barrels

BOTTLED: July 31, 2018

RELEASE: November, 2018

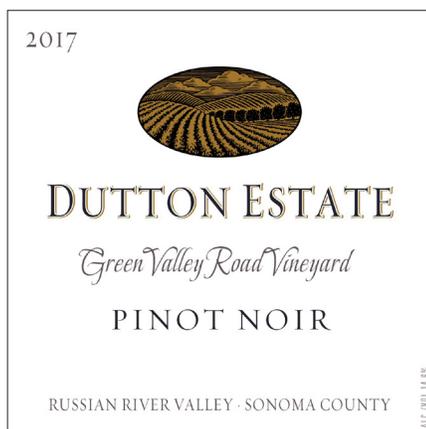
ALCOHOL: 14.8%

pH: 3.58

TA: 6.4

WINEMAKER: Bobby Donnell

CASES: 50 Cases



#### THE VINEYARD

Dutton Ranch farms more than 80 separate vineyards in the Russian River Valley. Green Valley Road Vineyard is a certified Sonoma County Sustainably-Farmed and Fish-Friendly vineyard located in the heart of the Green Valley, one of the coolest regions in the Russian River AVA. These vines are planted in the Goldridge soil that historically produce wines of consistent character. We hope you enjoy this vineyard's fruit as much as we love transforming it into wine.

#### THE WINE

The Green Valley Road Vineyard has been a corner stone of the Karmen Isabella blend. This section of the vineyard has been known in the cellar as the 'Dark Horse' and "Wow Juice". We regularly taste and evaluate vineyards and blocks for inclusion in blends or as stand alone expressions of great fruit and distinctive Terrior.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

In 2017 the quality of this small block clearly confirmed its status as a single vineyard designate. Given the ripe and concentrated nature of the fruit the cold soak was shortened by a day and the fermentation proceeded slowly over seven days at cooler temperatures. The fruit was handled gently through out the process including a very gentle sequence of pressing prior to aging in barrel. The rich character of the fruit was married with 75% new French oak for aging. These barrels were specifically selected for this special vineyard block and contribute rich vanilla and smoky notes.

#### TASTING NOTES

You are immediately struck by rich maroon and deep red color of this wine. With a slight purple cast you know this is not going to be a shy wine. Effusive fruity black cherry aromas with sandalwood, nutmeg and cola notes jumps out of the glass.... blueberry and blackberry floral notes follow. A rich rose perfume evolves with time in the glass. Rich and serene on the palate, the currant like blue and black fruits persist with a rhubarb, strawberry and cranberry edge. This cool climate Pinot Noir has great length and a juicy black cherry and cranberry finish with fresh crushed fruit acidity and tannins. It is a lovely wine that clearly states the quality that the Green Valley Road Vineyard offers. This rich Pinot Noir will develop for many years to come.

*Our family is six generations of forward-thinking West Sonoma County farmers. Each bottle of Dutton Estate wine is our way of sharing our love for this revelatory landscape, our commitment to sustainable farming, and our deep familial bonds.*



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