

TECHNICAL DATA

APPELLATION: Russian River Valley

VINEYARD: Manzana Vineyard

SOIL: Goldridge, Sandy Loam

CLONE: 115 and 828

HARVEST: Sept 14th (115), Sept 29th (828)

BRIX AT HARVEST: 25 (115) 24.5 (828)

FERMENTATION: Open top

AGING: 50% new French Oak

BOTTLED: July 2019

RELEASE: January 2021

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

pH: 3.6 (115) 3.52 (828)

TA: 5.9 (115) 6.0 (828)

WINEMAKER: Bobby Donnell

CASES: 222

PRICE: \$65



2018 PINOT NOIR MANZANA VINEYARD, DUTTON RANCH RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY, SONOMA COUNTY

THE VINEYARD

Dutton Ranch farms more than 80 separate vineyards in the Russian River Valley. The Manzana Vineyard is primarily planted to Dijon clones and a bit of Pommard, but for this wine, we only use 115 and 828. Manzana roughly 20 acres of eastern facing sloping vineyard. The original owners of Manzana Products sold the land to Dutton Ranch, who then honored Manzana Products, and the area history to apples, with the name Manzana Vineyard.

THE WINEMAKING

Manzana Vineyard Pinot Noir is a clonal blend of 115 and 828, capturing all the best aspects of a true cool climate Pinot Noir. The fruit was harvested in two passes in order to achieve optimal ripeness. The 2018 vintage is composed of 65% 828 clone and 35% 115 clone. It was cold soaked for 5 days and punched down once daily during the cold soak period. Then it was inoculated with three different yeasts: RC212, BRL97, and XPURE. Punch downs occured up to three times daily during primary fermentation. The wine was aged in 50% new French oak by clone and blended together later.

TASTING NOTES

A lovely ruby in the glass. This Pinot Noir immediately presents exquisite aromas of cherry, cranberry, white pepper and an edge of sea air. Cherry and cranberry are echoed in the medium bodied palate that rounds out with a dash of earth and dried herbs. Pleasant on its own, the Manzana Vineyard Pinot Noir would be the perfect Thanksgiving pairing. From turkey to cranberry sauce to sweet potatoes, this elegant Pinot Noir will please all tastebuds.

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 committment to sustainable farming, and our deep familial bonds.



