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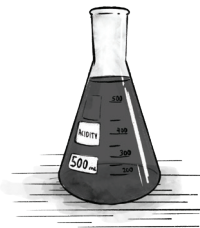
2018 Bootlegger's Hill Pinot Noir

An Extraordinary Natural Masterpiece

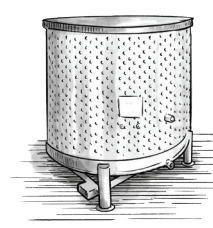
Like many of California's most celebrated vineyards located in the iconic Russian River Valley, Bootlegger's Hill was once an apple orchard. Surrounded by redwoods and firs, the cool climate and well-drained Goldridge soils of this revered site keep crops small, adding intensity, elegance, and enticing flavors to both our Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

Though the ranch features two blocks of Chardonnay, it is dominated by Pinot Noir clones planted in the region's hallmark sandy loam Goldridge soils, derived from an ancient seabed. Bountiful options of rootstock and various pruning methods within the vineyard make for a beautifully layered and interesting wine. From its spherical structure on the palate to flavors of pristine red fruit, there is an effortless harmony to this wine. Aromas of red cherry and strawberry jam emerge from the glass with subtle notes of roses and singed crème brûlée, while understated tannins and a hint of oak lead to a remarkably long finish.

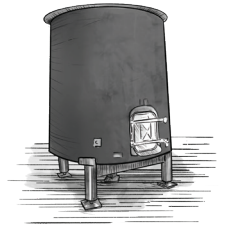
Fact of Note: Blend made up of eight different clones and blocks across the vineyard.



5.56 g/L



92% stainless steel



8% concrete

VINEYARD DETAILS

VINEYARD Bootlegger's Hill
CLONES Calera, Pommard, Elite, 115
ORIENTATION North / East
TRELLISING VSP
SOIL Goldridge

TECHNICAL DETAILS

FERMENTATION 92% stainless steel, 8% concrete, 4% whole cluster
ÉLEVAGE 54% aged in new large French oak casks for 16 months with an additional 12% aged in new French oak barrels for 16 months, prior to bottling 100% of the blend aged in stainless steel for 4 months
ALCOHOL 14.4%
pH 3.7
TA 5.56 g/L

TASTING NOTES

NOSE An expressive wine with illuminating notes of strawberry jam, dried cherry, and singed crème brûlée. A surprising hint of dark pluots adds intrigue.

MOUTH Velvety, with a lush, medium body and impressive texture. Sleek acidity and understated tannins envelop the palate adding immense interest.