



CHALK HILL

WINNER'S CIRCLE VINEYARD

2023 PINOT NOIR

Welcome to the Winner's Circle. This inaugural bottling of exquisite Pinot Noir comes from the Winner's Circle Vineyard located in the picturesque Russian River Valley. The cool-climate coupled with fine sandy loam soil is ideal for growing superior quality Pinot Noir, and our 2023 is a beautiful representation of that. We selected only the very best lots for this blend, using a variety of clones including Calera, Swan 97, Pomard 91, Mt. Eden, and Wadenswil 23.

A long, rainy start to the growing season and cooler than average spring and summer temperatures allowed the grapes an extended hang-time, yielding full flavor development. Abundant dark fruit aromas with notes of spice, vanilla, and a subtle earthiness waft from the glass. On the palate, the wine is bold yet the balance of rustic tannins and acid are in perfect harmony. The flavor profile is deeply layered, with evolving characters from entry through the long finish. Drinking well now, with proper cellaring this wine is expected to age well for 5-7 years.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: OCTOBER 2 - 5, 2023

Average Yields: 3.25 TONS/ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 25.3°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

CULTURED YEAST FERMENTATION IN BARREL

BI-WEEKLY BÂTONNAGE DURING PRIMARY FERMENTATION

Cooperage: FRENCH OAK, 55% NEW

Aging: 9 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 100% PINOT NOIR

Bottling date: JULY 17, 2024

pH: 3.59 *TA:* 5.7 G/L *Alcohol:* 14.5%

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