

# SWANSON

VINEYARDS

## 2022 PINOT NOIR CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY

#### **VINTAGE**

2022 was called a tale of two harvests. A relatively normal growing season began in March with strong vine growth throughout summer. Then, from August to mid-September it was intense and fast-paced. The rain in mid-September created a gap and sudden halt to harvest. The fruit that came in during the second round had beautiful mild weather in early October and lots of time to get to perfect ripeness. 2022 white wines showcase perfect acidity and freshness with remarkable flavors and textures, and red wines are displaying excellent structure with deep red colors, luxurious tannins and exquisite fruit-forward aromatics.

#### **VINEYARD**

Sourced from southern Napa Valley in the Carneros AVA, the aim was to craft a Pinot Noir wine from some of our most reliable vineyard partnerships each vintage, delivering unequalled quality and value.

#### **WINEMING NOTES**

Hand-harvested in the early morning, the grapes were then delivered to the winery where they were hand sorted before being destemmed and partially crushed. Five days cold soak followed by a 14-day warm fermentation with two pump overs per day. The wine was pressed off and barreled down in 30% new French oak where it underwent natural malolactic fermentation. The wines then underwent 13 months élevage in 70% once used oak barrels before they were blended. Wine was then lightly filtered before bottling.

### **WINEMAKER NOTES**

The 2022 Pinot Noir presents an enticing aromatic profile with red fruit, such as ripe cherries, fresh raspberries, and cranberries. Additional subtle notes of floral elements of rose petals and violets along with a touch of earthy woodland undertones complement the nose. This lovely Pinot Noir has a medium-bodied palate, offering a silky and smooth texture with refined tannins, flavors of red fruits such as cherry, raspberry, and cranberry. Balanced acidity adds freshness and brightness to the palate making this wine a perfect pairing for truffled mushroom Risotto and fresh garlic bread.

#### **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Varietal Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Bottling Date: May 17, 2023

Barrel Reime: 7 months aging in French oak barrels, 37% new

Case Production: 191 cases