

# CHATEAU ST JEAN

## 2023 HALLBERG RANCH PINOT NOIR

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

SONOMA COUNTY

Our roots are in Sonoma County. We have made wines from the region's diverse vineyards for over 50 years, starting in 1973. A fine wine estate with European style, we are proud to produce balanced and elegant wines, a hallmark of Chateau St. Jean. Our single-vineyard and blend expressions celebrate Sonoma County's distinctive, world-class growing region, and the special vineyard sites in which our grapes are grown.

### VINEYARDS

The Hallberg vineyard is situated in the heart of the Russian River Valley. A prestigious hillside vineyard that has established itself as a premium source for top rated Pinot Noir. Hallberg Ranch features sandy-loam soils and enjoys beautiful sunny afternoons tempered by fog and coastal breezes, allowing the grapes to retain crucial acidity and to produce wine with deep ruby color, pure flavors, and seamless structure.

### VINTAGE

The 2023 growing season graced us with the slowest start in the last decade. A rainy winter set the vines up for vigorous spring growth, a larger crop, and a longer ripening season. Red and white varieties ripened simultaneously leading to a late, compressed harvest. The crop was bountiful and the quality outstanding.

### WINEMAKING

Our Pinot Noir grapes are sorted, crushed and destemmed before a 10-day fermentation on skins. Pump overs are conducted regularly for the duration of primary fermentation. Once primary fermentation is complete, the wine is drained, pressed and barreled down for 18 months in French oaks (40% new).

### TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Hallberg Ranch Pinot Noir opens with delicate aromas of cherry, pomegranate, and wild strawberry with savory notes of crushed dried herbs. On the palate, red and black fruit flavors are framed by nuanced sweet oak and vanilla. The silky palate finishes with fine-grained tannins. Pair with beet and arugula salad with truffle-infused almonds or cocoa nib crusted duck with roasted fall vegetables.

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APPELLATION	Russian River
VARIETAL	100% Pinot Noir
OAK	100% French oak, 40% new
AGING	18 months
ALCOHOL	13.9%
T.A.	5.7 g/L
PH	3.4

