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# FERRARI-CARANO

*Vineyards and Winery*

## SKY HIGH RANCH PINOT NOIR

MENDOCINO RIDGE

2024

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*Sky High Ranch Pinot Noir is a superbly-crafted wine made from mountaintop vineyards located on Mendocino Ridge, high above Anderson Valley in Mendocino County.*

### THE VINTAGE

2024 opened with abundant winter rains that soaked the soils and replenished reservoirs, setting the stage for a promising season. Spring brought ideal conditions for flowering, and warm, steady weather ushered the vines seamlessly into early summer. July delivered a brief surge of triple-digit heat, but August and September returned to more typical patterns. Just as we anticipated cooler autumn days, an unexpected heatwave in early October accelerated ripening and led to an earlier-than-average harvest. These dynamic growing conditions yielded wines of exceptional character showcasing vibrant, ripe fruit flavors balanced with brightness and depth.

### HOW IT'S MADE

The grapes are hand picked and brought to the winery in macrobins, then gently destemmed and transferred to small stainless steel tanks. After a 3 day cold soak, yeast is added to 63% of the tanks, while 37% is fermented with native yeast. Tanks are punched down or pumped over 1-to-2 times per day. Once dry, the wines are drained and pressed, keeping press fractions separate, to tank for one day of settling before racking to barrels for malolactic fermentation. After 10 months in barrel, the wine was bottled September 9, 2025.

### AROMAS & FLAVORS

This 2024 Sky High Ranch Pinot Noir captures the cool-climate essence of the region, leading with vibrant aromas of freshly picked raspberry and the earthy, nostalgic spice of sassafras. A touch of savory bacon spice and smooth vanilla add a warm complexity to the aromatic profile. On the palate, the wine is bright and expressive, bursting with cranberry and juicy black cherry flavors that are framed beautifully by elegant, fine-grained tannins.

### FOOD PAIRINGS

Sky High Ranch Pinot Noir is a seductive, aromatic wine that pairs beautifully with mushroom risotto, roasted salmon over lentils and bacon, or Toulouse-style cassoulet.

### COOPERAGE

10 months in 100% French oak, 33% new

### TECHNICAL DATA

Composition 100% Pinot Noir

Alcohol 14.2% | pH 3.66 | TA 6.1 g/L

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