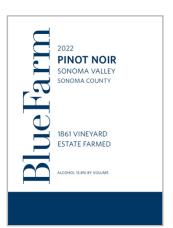
2022 Pinot Noir, 1861 Vineyard, Sonoma Valley

Case Production: 25 / SRP: \$125.00

This vineyard is named both for its street address and coincidentally for the year in which Agoston Haraszthy was appointed by California's governor to "promote the improvement and growth of the grapevine" in the state. The 1861 vineyard is planted on a plateau in the hills, one thousand feet above the Sonoma Plaza. Less than half an acre, the small site divides itself naturally into two blocks, one rockier than the other. The site is planted to the Pommard clone on 101-14 rootstock with a



narrow spacing of 4' x 5'. Marine influence from both the Pacific Ocean and San Pablo Bay, combined with foggy mornings, allow the delicate pinot noir grapes to thrive in this rugged hillside setting.

Closest Town: Downtown Sonoma
AVA: Sonoma Valley
Varietal: Pinot Noir
Planted: 2008
Clone(s): Pommard

Rootstock: 101-14 Soil Type: Rocky loam Aspect: Southern Row Orientation: South/North

The Vintage

Heavy rains in early November surprised us, but in hindsight, they were a blessing because they filled our reservoirs. Spring ushered in a long frost season, which lingered into mid-May. A cool summer allowed for an even development of the fruit. By early August, veraison pointed to a mid-September harvest, but Labor Day resulted in an extended heat spike, pushing harvest forward a week. By September 13th all of our fruit was picked. The 2022 wines are showing great freshness and acidity. Bright red fruit with delicious tannins frame the wine. These last vintages have taught us to be flexible and responsive to the season, rather than follow a set style. The 2022 wines are light on their feet, mirroring their Old World siblings.

Vintage: 2022 Harvest Date: August 14th Harvest Brix: 24 Harvest pH: 3.5 Harvest TA: 4.6 Days in Tank: 18 days Type of Tank: Open top T-bin Barrel Program: 100% new French oak - Ateliér Bottling Date: March 15, 2024 Bottling % Alcohol: 13.8% Case Production: 25 SRP: \$125

Blue Farm

Founded on Anne Moller-Racke's 40-plus years of winegrowing in Sonoma, Blue Farm was conceptualized in 2001 during her planting of Anne Katherina, Blue Farm's first estate vineyard. Blue Farm believes that an intimate understanding and connection to our vineyards is core to making site-specific Chardonnay and Pinot Noir of the highest quality.

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