



CHALK HILL

MT. EDEN CLONE
2016 PINOT NOIR

CHALK HILL ESTATE is located at the convergence of a number of diverse climates, soils and terrains in the northeastern hills of Sonoma County. The Chalk Hill AVA is a sub-appellation of the Russian River Valley, the epicenter of Pinot Noir growing and winemaking. While the estate is a bit warm for top quality Pinot Noir, our Trenton Road vineyard, located a few miles west of the winery, is ideally situated. Trenton's 45 acres of vineyard are planted with the highly regarded Mt. Eden, Pommard, and Swan clones of Pinot Noir.

The 2016 growing season began with an earlier than average bud break and fruit set followed by moderate temperatures in spring and summer. This allowed for even ripening and balanced flavors to set the stage for producing a delicate, nuanced Pinot Noir. The 2016 Mt. Eden Clone Pinot Noir expresses the unique clone and terroir with aromas of raspberries, dried roses, forest floor and red currant. The palate showcases broad flavors of Bing cherry, hibiscus tea, wild berries and smooth tannins. Enjoy this beauty now or age up to 5 years.

H A R V E S T

Harvest Dates: SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2016

Average Yields: 3.3 TONS/ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 24.7°

F E R M E N T A T I O N / B A R R E L

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION

MONTHLY BÂTONNAGE FOR FOUR MONTHS

Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK, 67% NEW

Barrel Aging: 10 MONTHS

W I N E

Blend: 100% PINOT NOIR, MT. EDEN CLONE

Bottling Date: JULY 19, 2017

pH: 3.80 TA: 6.0 G/L Alcohol: 14.9%