

MT. EDEN CLONE 2017 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.

2017 began with heavy rains in winter which reinvigorated the vineyards going into bud break. The region had sunny days throughout the spring and summer, and a heat spike in August which propelled the harvest schedule. The 2017 Mt Eden Pinot Noir displays aromas of ripe raspberries, dried roses, red currant and dark chocolate which carry through to the palate. Flavors of sweet red fruit are rounded by rich tannins and a smooth finish. Enjoy this wine now or age up to 5 years.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2017 Average Yields: 2.19 TONS/ACRE Average Brix at Harvest: 24.9°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION
WITH BÂTONNAGE FOR FOUR MONTHS
Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK, 67% NEW
Barrel Aging: 10 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 100% PINOT NOIR
Bottling Date: AUGUST 2, 2018

pH: 3.83 TA: 5.96 G/L Alcohol: 14.9%