



CHALK HILL

MT. EDEN CLONE

2021 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 2021 vintage was warmer than average with little rainfall leading to a relatively early bud-break. Warm temperatures continued into summer setting the stage for full ripening, fresh acidity and beautifully balanced fruit. The fruit was harvested September 6th & September 9th in the cool, early morning hours to preserve vibrant fruit character. This Pinot Noir is a true delight for the senses. A bouquet of raspberry, dried cherries, juniper berries, black currant, vanilla and forest floor lead to a silky palate with ripe tannins and a round mouthfeel.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: SEPTEMBER 6TH & 9TH, 2021

Average Yields: 1.95 TONS/ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 24.7°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

CULTURED YEAST FERMENTATION IN BARREL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH MONTHLY BÂTONNAGE (4 MONTHS)

Cooperage: FRENCH OAK (57% NEW)

Barrel Aging: 10 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 100% PINOT NOIR

Bottling date: JULY 27, 2022

pH: 3.60 *TA:* 5.89 G/L *Alcohol:* 14.5%

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