

Goldeneye

2021 ANDERSON VALLEY PINOT NOIR CERISE VINEYARD

Located high in the heart of Anderson Valley, the steep, southwest-facing slopes of the famed Cerise Vineyard rise in elevation from 700 to 1,700 feet, creating one of our most unique and intriguing vineyards. Echoing the untamed, rustic beauty of the site, Cerise produces a singular expression of Pinot Noir with a robust structure, vibrant layers of lush red fruit, and savory dried herb, earth and meat undertones.

VINTAGE NOTES

After a dry winter we received a bit of welcome rainfall in early March followed by a mild warm-up that helped to push the first buds. By mid-April, all three estate vineyards had reached 100% budbreak, with healthy balanced vines throughout the valley. Summer was dry and mild, with a few hot days to help promote even ripening. We harvested Chardonnay for our sparkling wines beginning in mid-August, with our first Pinot Noir at the start of September. After a late-August heatwave, harvest began in earnest until a natural cool-down slowed the pace, and our last pick was on October 6th. Another stellar vintage in Anderson Valley, the quality of the fruit was exceptional, producing incredibly concentrated, flavorful and aromatic wines.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The famed Cerise Vineyard has yielded a plush and beautifully age-worthy wine with entrancing aromas of red berries, white flowers, fresh thyme, saddle leather and rich mahogany. On the sultry and well-structured palate, rich, refined tannins frame pure flavors of Rainier cherry and spice as they glide to a long, luxurious finish.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Anderson Valley		
VINEYARDS	Cerise Vineyard		
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% estate Pinot Noir		
OAK PROFILE & AGING	Aged in French oak for 16 months 50% new, 50% neutral	ROOTSTOCK	5C, 101-14, AXR
ALCOHOL	14.2%	CLONES	2A & 115
pH	3.45	SOILS	Hopland Witherell Squawrock complex
ACIDITY	0.58 g/100 ml		
FERMENTATION	Small lot open-top fermentations using a combination of cap management strategies.		



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