



2020 PINOT NOIR SONOMA COAST

HARVESTED		September 10, 2020
BOTTLED		December 2021
COMPOSITION		100% Pinot Noir
ALCOHOL		14.8%

VINTAGE NOTES

The season began with a mild, arid winter and early bud break. A cool spring slowed vine development and the long season eased into a steady, temperate summer. Cool mornings and warm, sunny days allowed the fruit to mature gradually and steadily, achieving great complexity, focus, and structure. Dry conditions led to lower yields and small, concentrated berries.

WINEMAKING NOTES

We hand-harvested our Sonoma Coast blocks at optimal ripeness, identifying two standout lots, a blend of 60% Calera and 40% Swan clones, to create this expressive wine. We fermented in small open-top tanks, a portion of the fruit kept as whole clusters to impart additional depth and structure. After a five-day cold soak, the tanks returned to ambient temperature, coaxing spontaneous native yeast fermentation. Gentle pressing preserved nuanced aromatics and retained supple tannins. The free-run was transferred to 60% new French Oak aged nine months before racking for bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2020 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir opens with vibrant notes of red summer fruits and a captivating perfume of rose petal and violet. The intricate palate displays a beautiful purity of fruit—macerated raspberry, wild blackberry, and ripe plum—framed by silky tannins and finishing long with lifted notes of sweet oak and spice.

ABOUT JAYSON WINES

Jayson wines are born from two of the most renowned winegrowing regions in the world – the iconic Napa Valley and the pioneering Sonoma Coast. Every vintage is meticulously made with the attention to detail for which Pahlmeyer is known and trusted, while capturing the spirit of its founder whose huge personality, humor and joy for living are an integral part of the Pahlmeyer legacy.

