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2023 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY **PINOT NOIR**

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Blend: 100% Pinot Noir | **Alc:** 14.5% by vol. | **Aging:** 10 Months in French oak

pH: 3.77 | **Acidity:** 5.4 g/mL | **Residual Sugar:** 4 g/L

VINEYARDS

The 2023 Pinot Noir from Russian River Valley was meticulously crafted to capture the delicate nuances and elegant complexity characteristic of this renowned cool-climate region. The grapes were harvested at optimal ripeness, ensuring a perfect balance of acidity and flavor, essential for the expressive nature of Pinot Noir. Following a gentle destemming and crushing process, the must underwent a cold soak to extract color and flavor before fermentation at controlled temperatures. This method facilitated a gentle extraction process, crucial for maintaining the varietal's finesse. After fermentation, the wine was aged in French oak barrels to add complexity and depth. The use of oak was judicious, with a mix of new and seasoned barrels to ensure that the oak flavors complemented rather than dominated the delicate fruit characteristics. This aging process, typically lasting about 10 to 12 months, allowed the wine to develop integrated tannins and subtle spice notes while maintaining the varietal's characteristic red fruit and earthy tones.

WINE

The 2023 Pinot Noir from Russian River Valley is a beautifully crafted wine that epitomizes the elegance and complexity for which this cool-climate region is renowned. It presents a vibrant ruby color, inviting a deeper exploration of its aromatic profile. On the nose, this Pinot Noir offers a seductive bouquet of ripe red cherries and fresh strawberries, elegantly intertwined with subtle floral notes of violet and a hint of earthy forest floor, providing a classic Pinot Noir earthiness. The palate is gracefully balanced, showcasing a silky texture and layers of juicy raspberry and cranberry, complemented by subtle spices and a gentle touch of oak. This integration results in a smooth, lingering finish with just enough acidity to keep the flavors vibrant and engaging. This Russian River Valley Pinot Noir is an exquisite example of varietal and regional expression, perfect for pairing with dishes like herb-roasted chicken, grilled salmon, or mushroom risotto.

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