

## 2017 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir Special Blend

These last few vintages we have been showing wine lovers the differences between our esteemed single vineyard Pinot Noirs from three distinct "neighborhoods" of the Russian River Valley. With our 2017 vintage, Inman Family has once again gone against the grain by making this special blend of Russian River Valley Pinot Noir from three of the most highly regarded vineyards in the area, OGV Estate, Pratt Vine Hill, and Pratt Sexton Road Ranch, to create this earthy, fruity, and balanced Russian River Valley Pinot Noir.

Beginning with our estate property, Olivet Grange Vineyard (OGV) located in the Santa Rosa Plain, this fruit lends its signiture minerality and backbone of acidity to the blend. We find delicate raspberry from the Pratt Vine Hill property, located just two miles west of our estate in the Laguna Ridge neighborhood, boasting Goldridge Soil, with excellent drainage and heritage clones from Burgundy. Lastly, grippy tannin and bold fruit shine through the mid palate from our higher elevation vineyard in the Sebastapol Hills neighborhood, Pratt Sexton Road Ranch. By blending these distinct vineyards, after small lot fermentation with native yeasts, we found complexity and elegence in this solid representation of the Russian River.

**Appellation:** Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

Fruit Source: Olivet Grange Vineuard, Pratt Sexton Road Ranch, Pratt Vine Hill Vineuard

## **Tasting Notes**

Color: Pale Garnet

Aroma: Rich cherry, dried roses, raspberries, baking spices

Flavor: Dark cherry, and ripe raspberry, pomegrantate, baking spices, sassafras,

cherry pit, and a hint of licorice

## Winemaker Notes

The wine was fermented on our estate in small one ton ferment batches. Following natural wild fermentation, the wine was basket pressed and settled overnight before being moved to French oak barrels. The wines were kept on their fine lees and stirred regularly until they were settled for bottling under screwcap.

Case Production: 678

VINTAGE

2017

**VARIETAL** 

Pinot Noir

HARVEST DATE

September 2017

TA

5.5

PH

3.8

**AGING** 

French Oak 20% New

**BOTTLING DATE** 

September 7, 2018

**RESIDUAL SUGAR** 

0.0

ALCOHOL

13.8%

