

## 2021 Sexton Road Ranch Pinot Noir

The Sexton Road Ranch Pinot Noir is the first wine Inman Family labeled as Sonoma Coast because of the vineyard's high elevation at 900 feet in the Sebastopol Hills. This area of Sonoma County can be either Russian River Valley or Sonoma Coast. Farmed by highly regarded grower Jim Pratt, Inman Family's winemaker Kathleen Inman wanted to make wine from this site for many years. In 2013, she secured the first fruit from this lovely vineyard perched above Freestone.

Pratt's Sexton Road Ranch is adjacent to Littorai's Pivot and Balletto's Sexton Hill ranches. The vineyard is about 9 miles from the Pacific Ocean. It is planted on steep hillsides of Goldridge soil. With carefully selected clones of Pommard 4 and 5, and 777, this vineyard yielded a rich, seductive Pinot Noir, with dark fruits and exotic spices that speak to the classically opulent style of this region. The luscious, dark, concentrated fruit and racy acidity combined with the generous tannins to create an age-worthy structure.

**Appellation:** Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County **Fruit Source:** Pratt Sexton Road Ranch

Tasting Notes
Color: Dark ruby

**Aroma:** Scents of candied cherry, dark berries, married with pleasant notes of exotic spices **Flavor:** Raspberry, blackberry, black cherry, vanilla, cocoa, dried herbs, and exotic spices like cardamom and cumin. Tannins are grippy, and acidity is racy.

## Winemaker Notes

The fruit was picked by hand before dawn, destemmed at first light, and fermented one-ton fermenters. No water, acid, enzymes, or tannins were added. Once fermented dry, the must was pressed in a basket press, settled overnight, and then barreled down to French oak barrels, 20% of which were new Billon barrels. The wine was not fined and is suitable for vegans. It was filtered using crossflow technology and bottled under Stelvin closure.

Case Production: 257

VINTAGE 2021

VARIETAL Pinot Noir

HARVEST DATE
September 2021

**TA** 6.0

**PH** 3.59

**AGING**French Oak barrels

BOTTLING DATES 2/14/2023

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{RESIDUAL SUGAR} \\ 0 g/L \end{array}$ 

ALCOHOL 13.8%

