

SOTER VINEYARDS | 2023
ESTATES PINOT NOIR



THE PLACE

Wines in the 'Estates' series are comprised of grapes grown entirely from our Estate holdings, which includes but is no longer limited to our flagship property, Mineral Springs Ranch. With recent property acquisitions, and the perfection of long-term leases and grape contracts, we can now rely on secure, "Estate" controlled sourcing for all the wines that carry the Soter name. The vineyard blends for these bottlings are not formulaic and will vary depending on ripeness, yields, quality, and the flavor profiles of each site.

REFLECTIONS

A wet winter and spring delayed bud break until late April, aligning with some of the region's historically cool and damp vintages. However, May ushered in warm, sun-filled days with barely a cloud in sight. Bloom arrived in mid-June, with only trace amounts of rain, slightly reducing yields in some areas. Ripening progressed steadily, though veraison—the critical shift from energy growth to fruit maturation—took longer than anticipated. A warm, early harvest followed, bringing in fruit of exceptional quality under bright autumn skies, with spirits in the cellar soaring just as high.

THE WINE

Expressive and layered, the 2023 Estates Pinot Noir bursts with exuberant red berries and tart cranberry, leading into a plush, velvety mid-palate. Silky, integrated tannins provide structure, while hints of pencil lead and a whisper of fresh pine add a savory, woody complexity. Sappy and round, with a note of licorice weaving through the finish, this wine lingers with depth and quiet intrigue.

VARIETY	100% Pinot Noir
APPELLATION	100% Willamette Valley
VINEYARD	30% Mineral Springs, 20% Tarren, 50% Soter Ribbon Ridge
ALCOHOL	13.6%
PRODUCTION	3,282 cases
CERTIFICATIONS	Certified Biodynamic, Demeter, Organic, CCOF
FERMENTATION and AGING	100% Barrel fermented 35% New French oak Aged 10 months in barrel 25% Whole cluster