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2019 PINOT NOIR, GAP'S CROWN VINEYARD

APPELLATION
Sonoma Coast

VINIFICATION
16 months
31% new French oak
16% whole cluster

CLONE
100% Clone 777

ALCOHOL
14.1%

SCORES

96 points, Jeb Dunnuck
93 points, James Suckling
92 points, Wine Enthusiast

Grown in rocky soils at the base of the Sonoma Mountain range, this vintage is concentrated and hedonistic while preserving plenty of verve on the palate. Similar to past years, we were able to obtain great fruit concentration while still preserving beautiful natural acidity—a testament to the diurnal shift from the cool nights to warm afternoons. Smaller berries and an overall increase of fruit concentration than previous vintages, the 2019 harvest was separated into three different lots with varying whole-cluster percentages from 10% - 30%. The separate lots were fermented in both oak foudres and stainless-steel tanks.

On the nose, blue fruits, plum and violets dominate. The purity of the vintage shines through with a wonderful balance of richness and focus. One of the more generous Pinot Noirs in our portfolio, the Gap's Crown Vineyard provides consistently balanced fruit at reasonable alcohol and ripeness. Texturally, this wine is a pleaser and will continue to provide joy for years to come.

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