

Bougetz Cellars

2018 BOUGETZ CELLARS THE CAIRN CATIE'S CORNER VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2018 The Cairn Pinot Noir is a single vineyard wine which comes from Catie's Corner Vineyard in the Russian River Valley. The fruit is sourced from two blocks, which are different clones (Wadenswil 1A and 2A). The must was fermented with 15% whole cluster providing a bit more mouthfeel and spiciness. The wine was stored on the lees, with monthly stirring, while aging in 40% new French oak. The 2018 The Cairn displays dark, red cherry notes, with a tantalizing spiciness on the palate. Richer than in years past, this wine will develop more with a couple of years bottle aging.

HARVEST NOTES

The 2018 growing season began with a relatively dry spring and just a bit below normal rainfall over the winter. Budbreak was close to normal, leading to flowering in late May. The summer didn't see too many heat spikes, but we were treated to cooler than normal mornings, which slowed down the maturation process leading to a night pick on September 10th, just a little later than the previous year.



Harvest date: September 10th, 2018

- Appellation: Russian River Valley
- Vineyard: Catie's Corner Vineyard
- Brix at harvest: 25.8
- Crush: De-stemmed, 100% whole berry, 15% stem inclusion
- Fermentation: 14-day ferment, after 5 day cold soak
- Aging: 10 months, with 40% new and 60% once used French Oak
- Alcohol: 14.7%
- pH: 3.80
- TA: 5.60 g/L
- Bottled: July 2019
- Case production: 235 cases
- Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz
- Suggested retail: \$42



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