



2023 BOUGETZ CELLARS
THE CAIRN CATIE'S CORNER VINEYARD
PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER NOTES

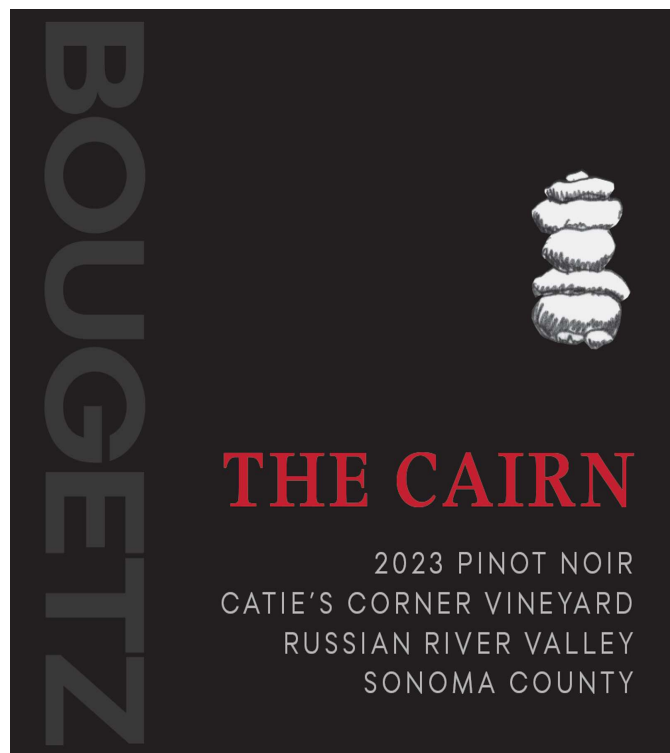
The 2023 The Cairn Pinot Noir is a single-vineyard wine sourced from Catie's Corner Vineyard in the Russian River Valley. The must was fermented with 15% whole cluster, adding extra mouthfeel and a touch of spiciness. The wine was aged on the lees with monthly stirring in 40% new French oak. The 2023 vintage presents vibrant dark red cherry aromas, complemented by a tantalizing spiciness on the palate. Richer than previous years, this wine will continue to evolve with a few years of bottle aging.

HARVEST NOTES

The 2023 growing season was a sharp contrast to 2022. The typical spring and summer heat never fully developed, and while the vines remained healthy, they were slower to mature. As a result, we were about two weeks behind the usual schedule. However, the weather during harvest was ideal. With a late bud break and consistent growing conditions, the fruit reached full maturity and was harvested overnight on September 19th.



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Harvest date: September 19th, 2023

- Appellation: Russian River Valley
- Vineyard: Catie's Corner Vineyard
- Brix at harvest: 23.2
- 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: 13.7%
- pH: 3.71
- TA: 6.5 g/L
- Bottled: July 2024
- Case production: 125 cases
- Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz
- Suggested retail: \$45