

WESTWOOD

ANNADEL GAP VINEYARD

38° 17' 30" N – 122° 27' 27" W

2015 WENDLING PINOT NOIR Wendling Vineyard - Anderson Valley AVA

100% Pinot Noir | 100% French Oak; 56% new | pH 3.53 | TA 5.39g/L | Brix 24.3-25.8 | ABV 13.9%

Vinification

Wendling Vineyard lies at the NW part of the Anderson Valley AVA - the closest vineyard to the Pacific Coast. Its 23 acres sit at 450' elevation, on a south-facing slope in uplifted sandstone clay. Bathed in cool Pacific breezes and thick fog, the Pinot Noir grapes develop deep power and intense aromatics. Five clones - Pommard (33%), 667 (33%), Calera (12%) 828 (11%) & 115 (11%) - were hand-harvested at night. Clones were kept separate, hand sorted and fermented individually. 25% whole cluster, 5-6 days cold soak, gentle punch downs 1-3 times daily, 18 days on skins & gently basket pressed. Gravity fed to French oak barrels (56% new). Aged 16 months on lees, gently fined, bottled unfiltered.

Aromatics

Earthy, sousbois tones with pine resin and redwood sap, black cherry, blackberry, raspberry, cassis, dried rose.

Palate

Rich, round and powerful, with persistent, fine-grained tannins supporting powerful blackberry and mulberry wild forest fruits, ripe blood orange & cranberry, blackberry bramble and powdered chocolate. Lively, high toned profile and Burgundian.

SITE: Wendling Vineyard,
Anderson Valley
YEAR PLANTED: 2008
CLONES: 667, 115, 828, Calera
Pommard
HARVEST DATES: Sep 7, 2015
FERMENTATION: Native
RELEASE DATE: May 2017
BARREL: Barrique
FINING/FILTERING: Gentle fining;
unfiltered



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