



## **2017 Pinot Noir**

### **Bailey's Vineyard**

Vineyard: Bailey's (Branciforte Ridge) Vineyard

Appellation: Santa Cruz Mountains

Wine: 100% Pinot Noir - Alcohol: 13.1%

Production: 194 cases

French and inert barrels for 18 months

Wine is unfinned and unfiltered

This is a Pinot Noir Vineyard located in the Vine Hill area near our old Estate Winery location on Jarvis Road. It was planted in 1999 and consists of Dijon clones 667 and 115. It is meticulously tended and is a showcase vineyard for showing off Pinot Noir cultivation in the Santa Cruz Mountains at its best.

The Vineyard is at a high enough elevation (around 1,200 feet) to be out of the fog on most days but is low enough to have very cool nights from the Pacific Ocean. These conditions produce a very intense wine with great depth of flavors and the ability to age beautifully for at least two decades from the vintage.

This 2017 vintage produced a wine with lovely savory complexities and tart bright fruit. It has classic Pinot Noir varietal character while also having an extra bit of the earth and spice nuances common with Santa Cruz Mountains Appellation Pinots. This wine is big enough to age for many years yet has elegance and complexity in its youth that comes from a perfectly farmed vineyard.

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