



2022 PINOT NOIR

Keefer Ranch, Russian River Valley

WINERY

After Jack and Jamie Davies revived the historic Schramsberg property in Napa Valley, their son, Hugh Davies, initiated a red wine program using the family's estate vineyards on Diamond Mountain. Starting in the 1990s, Hugh undertook the replanting of the home property to red Bordeaux varietals leading to the J. Davies Cabernet program; he later partnered with North Coast growers to launch Davies Vineyards Pinot Noirs.

WINE

The Davies family of Schramsberg and Davies Vineyards proudly presents the third release of Keefer Ranch Pinot Noir, sourced from their Russian River Valley estate acquired in 2019. Their Pinot Noir legacy began in 1967, when Jack and Jamie Davies crafted the first vintage of Schramsberg Blanc de Noirs. Over the past 57 years, the family has fostered lasting partnerships with premier North Coast Pinot Noir growers. Building on this heritage, second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies and winemakers Sean Thompson, Jessica Koga, and J.P. Pierce offer this vineyard-designate wine from the 2022 vintage.

VINEYARDS

The Keefer Ranch is located along the Green Valley Creek in the Russian River Valley. The vineyard is planted on gently sloping, south-facing Goldridge Loam soil. Well drained throughout the growing season, this ground is moderately vigorous, ideally suited for the growth of densely

concentrated Pinot Noir wine grapes. The vineyard profits from a long, cool hang time resulting in fruit with outstanding color, extraction, and balanced tannins.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 season was the third year in a row of drought conditions across the north coast. Dryer conditions led to balanced vines with smaller canopies and lighter crop levels. Harvest began around mid-September after record-breaking heat waves around Labor Day Weekend. The harvested fruit developed into wines of delicious concentration and acidity.

WINEMAKING

The vineyard profits from a long, cool hang time resulting in fruit with outstanding color, extraction, and balanced tannins. The smaller berries and cluster sizes from this vintage led to exceptional fruit quality, resulting in wine with superb concentration. After careful selection and gentle pressing the wine was aged in French Oak for 15 months - 15% new, 54% used once.

TASTING NOTES

The smaller berries and cluster sizes led to exceptional fruit quality, resulting in wine with superb concentration and flavor. Ripe cherry, bright cranberry, sweet spice, lively acidity, soft tannins, and a supple texture.

VINEYARD

Region: California

Appellation: Sonoma Coast

Sub-Appellation: Russian River Valley

Soil: Goldridge Loam

Age/Exposure: Vineyard planted in 1988

Southern exposure

Clones: Swan, Calera

Coopers: Atelier, Damy, Francois Freres, Billon

Eco-Practices: Sustainable, Solar

WINEMAKING

Varietals: 100% Pinot Noir

Barrel Aging: 15 months (15% new, 54% once used)

TECHNICAL DETAILS

 Alcohol:
 14.6%

 Total Acidity:
 6.0 g/L

 pH:
 3.76

