

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2023 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 fourth Pinot Noir release from Keefer Ranch, acquired in 2019. Their Pinot Noir legacy began in 1967 with Schramsberg's first Blanc de Noirs, and over the years they have built lasting partnerships with top North Coast growers. Crafted by second-generation vintner Hugh Davies and winemakers Sean Thompson, Jessica Koga, and J.P. Pierce, the 2023 Keefer Ranch Pinot Noir reflects the family's deep-rooted passion and expertise.

VINEYARDS

The Keefer Ranch sits along Green Valley Creek in the Russian River Valley, on gently sloping, south-facing Goldridge Loam soils. Well-drained and moderately vigorous, the site is ideal for concentrated Pinot Noir. A long, cool hang time delivers fruit with deep color, rich extraction, and balanced tannins.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2023 Sonoma Coast vintage brought bountiful yields and exceptional quality. Plentiful winter rain after years of drought led to a mild spring and milder summer. This delayed veraison and harvest, allowing for extended hang time and enhanced flavor development. Generous yields delivered outstanding fruit quality throughout the region.

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 16 months - 21% new, 26% used once.

TASTING NOTES

"Our 2023 Keefer Ranch Pinot Noir exhibits delicate notes of violet, raspberry leaf, wild sage, and cardamom, interwoven with black tea and mint. On the palate, a broad and juicy red fruit core is balanced by a light herbal touch and clean, refreshing acidity. The finish leaves a warm trace of cinnamon spice that lingers gracefully."
- Winemakers JP Pierce, Jessica Koga, Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies



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:	16 months (21% new, 26% once used)

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol:	14.4%
Total Acidity:	5.7 g/L
pH:	3.79