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FAMILY ESTATES

PINOT NOIR
Russian River Valley
2018



Alcohol: 14.0 %

Aging: 30% New French Oak Barrels
for 14 Months

Harvest Date: September 20th, 2018

Fermentation: 100% Destemmed and
Tank Fermented

AVA: 100% Russian River Valley

Production: 520 Cases

Clone: Field blend of 115 and 113



Vintage:

Despite a warm February, the 2018 growing season started off cooler than the past few vintages. A cool spring meant bloom lasted longer than usual, but fruit set was consistent and near-perfect leading to large grape clusters. There were a couple small weather events during set, but most Russian River and Sonoma Coast vineyards were not affected. Summer temperatures were moderate with fewer heat spikes than in recent years.

Tasting Notes:

The 2018 Russian River Pinot Noir is an elegantly structured Pinot Noir with opening aromatics of Bing cherry and fresh raspberries. The Ruby hue is accompanied by subtle tannins and a bright acidity that ties this wine together perfectly. This is a wine that pairs wonderfully with a variety of foods and occasions.

