



RANCH

32

*Arroyo Seco*

2016 PINOT NOIR

ESTATE GROWN | MONTEREY

*On the west side of the Salinas Valley, directly in the path of Monterey's relentless afternoon winds, sits Ranch 32. This is the place where we first planted vines back in 1972. Ranch 32 is about highlighting the natural characteristics of the terroir and conveying the taste of place. Each vintage, we produce small lots of wines from our sustainably farmed estate vineyards that represent the best of the appellation.*

#### SITE SELECTION

Our 2016 Pinot Noir grapes come from one of our estate vineyards in the Arroyo Seco AVA of Monterey County. This site is located just south of the Santa Lucia Highlands. The climate is heavily influenced by the cool afternoon winds that sweep down the Salinas Valley each afternoon off of the Monterey Bay. With nutrient-rich shaly loam soils, this is renowned terroir for both Chardonnay and Pinot Noir.

#### TARGETED WINEMAKING

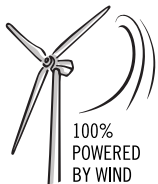
Upon arrival at the winery, select lots of Pinot Noir grapes were carefully sorted, destemmed, and allowed to cold soak at 50°F to extract color and flavor from the grape skins. The must was then inoculated with select yeast and punched down three times a day at the height of fermentation. The wine was racked clean for aging with 100% French oak for 12 months to add complexity and round out the tannins.

#### TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 Pinot Noir delivers delicate aromas of cherries, raspberries and currants with notes of mocha and vanilla from the French oak. It is medium-bodied and velvety with soft tannins and a long elegant finish. This Pinot Noir pairs perfectly with salmon, pork and strong cheeses.

#### 2016 VINTAGE ANALYSIS

Varietal: Pinot Noir  
AVA: Arroyo Seco  
Alcohol: 13.5%  
pH: 3.66  
TA: 5.5 g/L  
Aging: 12 months — 100% French oak, 35% new  
Winemaker: Vincent Catalaà



#### ADVANCED SUSTAINABILITY

*Harnessing the breezes that blow through the Salinas Valley daily, our entire winery operation is 100% powered by wind. Our estate vineyards are certified by the California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance.*

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