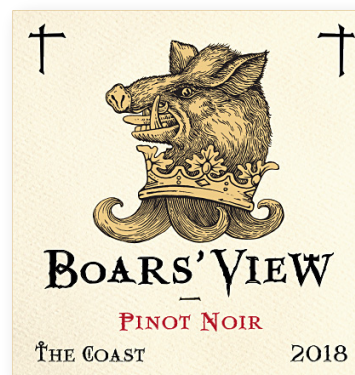


BOARS' VIEW

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Vintage	2018
Vineyard	Boars' View Vineyard
Appellation	Sonoma Coast, near Cazadero
Varietal	100% Pinot Noir
Clones	Blend of Calera, Mt. Eden, and Swan
Cooperage	10 months in a complement of François Frères, Remond, and Gauthier French oak barrels
Winemaker	Thomas Rivers Brown



PROFILE

In a vintage like 2018, nature handles much of the early leg work for creating a memorable wine, and this vintage we had a lot of positive attributes in our favor. There is a complex woven harmony of dark red fruit, precise structure, and a pleasant spice compliment found in this wine. Aromas of cranberry compote, sandalwood, and lavender swell from the glass. The palate experience is dense with layers of black cherry, nutmeg, quince, plum paste, and lilac. The coating, decadent fruit quality is balanced with a mouth-watering acidity that draws out the extended floral finish. Overall, this is a wine that possesses a wealth of riches, reflective of the generous growing season, and contemplative winemaking practices.

VINTAGE

2018 was a winemaker's dream. Overall the season gave us warm days with no crazy heat spells or spikes that allowed for even development of sugars in the grapes and produced a decent size crop. With the full yields, we attained an optimal balance of crop load to vine vigor and we were able to hold the fruit on the vine longer for enhanced character and richness. When yields are too low, the vine does not have enough to do and the ripening pace becomes very fast and in some harvests, sugars can blow past target ripening in a single day. With the 2018 yields, the vintage provided an ideal opportunity for crop thinning and cluster selection and allowed the fruit to achieve true and complete ripeness.

CRITICAL PRAISE

Rated 95 Lastly, the 2018 Pinot Noir The Coast saw the standard complete destemming and spent 10 months in 50% new French oak. It shows a killer bouquet of sweet black raspberry fruits as well as baking spices, forest floor, licorice, darker, earthy notes. With full-bodied richness, nicely integrated acidity, and a great finish, it's a step up over the 2017 (and the 2016) and is going to impress for a solid 10-12 years.

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