



EMERITUS

Estate Grown Pinot Noir

2017 EMERITUS VINEYARDS, HALLBERG RANCH RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY ESTATE GROWN, PRODUCED AND BOTTLED PINOT NOIR

The Hallberg Ranch Estate

Emeritus Vineyards was founded in 1999 by legendary vintner Brice Cutrer Jones when he acquired then planted the Hallberg Ranch after selling his first winery, Sonoma-Cutrer. The site has a significant marine influence and regular diurnal temperature swings of 40°F. There are eleven clones planted on the site, including two field selections from iconic vineyards in the Côte de Nuits.

Dry Farming

The vineyard has been dry farmed since 2011, the roots of the vines can reach depths of 20 feet or more in search of water stored in the clay subsoil. Dry farming allows the grapes to achieve exceptional physiological ripeness at lower sugar levels, while retaining the acidity that is essential to great Pinot Noir. Hand harvesting at night further ensures that the acidity and complex flavors are preserved in the fruit.

The Wine

The 2017 Hallberg Ranch Pinot is simply bursting with flavors that recount the story of this beautiful vintage. Aromas of red and blue fruits, fresh and dried flowers, and sweet and dark spices are offered up in complex layers that are pure and elegant. All of these elements seamlessly combine to create the distinctive wine that captures the beauty of Hallberg Ranch.



Appellation	Russian River Valley (Sebastopol)
Vineyard	Hallberg Ranch
Soil Series	Goldridge sandy loam underlain with sandy clay loam
Fermentation	Cold soak for 7 days, indigenous yeast fermentation
Barrel Aging	French oak, 35% new, aged 10 months
Bottled	Unfined and unfiltered
Alcohol	13.7%
Retail Price	\$45



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"With Winemaker David Lattin now at the helm, this vintage packs a punch of grace and power. Rose, lavender and earth tones accent a juicy black-cherry core, with crisp acidity sitting alongside a hint of nutmeg."

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In 2020, Emeritus Vineyards "Hallberg Ranch" was voted the 4th favorite Pinot Noir by restaurants. For almost a decade Emeritus has ranked in the top 5 in the annual restaurant poll. Emeritus has become a national benchmark for restaurateurs and diners.