

Sojourn Cellars Pinot Noir Walala Vineyard

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United States - California - Sonoma Coast

Walala Vineyard possesses a breathtaking ridgeline that sits 1,200 feet above sea level, just inland from the Pacific Ocean near the coastal town of Annapolis. The maritime climate of this vineyard marks the extreme western edge of Pinot Noir wine growing with success being determined by precise viticulture. The site's gravelly loam soils provide an excellent foundation for clones 113, 115 and 828 that are planted on 3309C and Riparia Gloire rootstocks. This vineyard allows long hang time due to its close proximity to the coast, while the elevation gives the vines ample sunlight in which to ripen.

The 2021 growing season offered optimal conditions in the Sonoma Coast to harvest grapes of exceptional quality. The air remained clear with no fires in Sonoma and pandemic lock downs ended. Our spirits were lifted and the grape harvest and wine quality benefited. Brief heat waves in August and September ripened the grapes to ideal maturity as the weather stayed dry until major rains arrived October 22, after our grapes were harvested. Yields were lower than average in 2021, with small berries and loose clusters creating wines of increased depth and concentration. The individual Walala Vineyard blocks were vinified and aged separately. In 2021, Clone 115 stood out as having the most depth and rich texture. Clone 828 was fermented whole-cluster to add verve and complexity. The blended wine offers balance and intensity, with exceptional structure and tropical nuances.

pH: 3.69

TA: 5.7 g/L



Specifications

Appellation	Sonoma Coast
Varietals	100% Pinot Noir
Soil type	Gravelly loam
Vinification	100% Pinot noir (5% whole cluster) Open-top fermentation Native yeast 50% new French oak Bottled unfinned and unfiltered
Production	550 (9-liter cases)

Codes, Weights and Measures

UPC	8 54660 00813 1
Units/Case	12
Unit Size	750 mL
Container	bottle
Case Weight	38
Cases/Pallet	44

Layers/Pallet	11
ABV	14.20%
SRP	\$ 89.99 USD 750mL Bottle