

Maritana Vineyards

Le Russe Pinot Noir RRV

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: USA - CA

REGION: Sonoma

APPELLATION: Russian River Valley

CEPAGE: 100% Pinot Noir

WINEMAKING: 50% whole cluster, 50% destemmed, punchdown 2x's per day, 2x's per day pumpover

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 13.5%

AGING: 50% new barrel, 16 months

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 800 cases

THE STORY

After 29 vintages at Patz & Hall, Donald Patz walked away in 2017 — not to rest, but to begin again. He turned to the Russian River Valley, where Pacific fog and mountain air create California's most dramatic growing climate. Small-lot Chardonnay and Pinot Noir, sourced from legendary sites, crafted to let the land speak. Named for the valley itself — maritime coast meets mountain ridge. These are his legacy wines.

PHILOSOPHY: The land knows what it wants to say. Our job is to listen.

Great wine begins in the fog, in ancient soils, and in the hands of devoted farmers.

Minimal intervention — not as a trend, but as respect. For the vine, the place, and those who share what we make.

Two grapes. One valley. Infinite expression.

What you taste is honest, singular, and could only come from here.

THE ADJECTIVES

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Bright red and black cherries, wild raspberry, subtle baking spices, & delicate earthy forest floor

THE SELLING POINTS

Martaella, Regina's, Moonshine, Jenk and Five Wells Vineyard

AWARDS: 95pts James Suckling

SUSTAINABILITY: Sustainable In Practice, Minimal Intervention / Augmentation, Natural Fermentation

