

**JINSEI**

# Pinot Noir



**TOBIAS GLEN  
VINEYARD**

**RUSSIAN RIVER  
VALLEY**

## **ALCOHOL**

13.9% ABV

## **PRODUCTION**

296 cases

## **VINEYARD**

Tobias Glen, our estate vineyard, is a 19-acre parcel located in one of the most cherished micro-regions in the Russian River Valley. Ideally suited for Pinot Noir, the predominant soil type is Goldridge. Its excellent drainage allows us to create a balanced vineyard ecosystem yielding exceptional, high-quality fruit.

## **AGING**

18 months in François Frères barrels. 24 months in bottle.

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

2017 started wet and rainy with some record-breaking rain from November through April. Bud break was in March and relatively late compared to the previous vintage. Our team worked hard to finish the soil work and keep up with the vines' fast growth. Summer temperatures provided a breather with the colder weather and foggy conditions in late August bringing a welcome and slow ripening at the end of a long ripening cycle. The grapes were harvested on the last day of August before the tremendous heat of September.

## **TASTING NOTES**

**Nose:** Exquisite aroma of raspberry and violet

**Palate:** Rich and concentrated, with ample grip, structure, plus an intense sweetness of fruit

**Finish:** Power worn lightly, concentration, wonderful perfume, poise, precision, and length

**Cellar:** Will age gracefully for 10-15 years

## **ABOUT THE WINEMAKER**

Stéphane Vivier joined our team in 2015. A native of Burgundy, Vivier's old-world sensibilities are ideally suited to working with our Pinot Noir varietal at the Russian River site. He obtained degrees in viticulture and enology from Université de Bourgogne, and cultivated his vineyard and cellar skills at Pommard, Meursault, and Chassagne-Montrachet.

## **ACCOLADES**

Robert Parker 94pts

Wine Enthusiast 93pts

