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the profile of Sonoma County's wines to a global
audience. Now, more than ever, wine lovers are
exploring wine regions by tasting the creativity
of winemakers and the grapes they work with.

We're thrilled to present this year's event,
and together, we celebrate the innovative minds
of those who contribute to the prestige
of Sonoma County wine. **Cheers!**



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Welcome to the 10th Anniversary Sonoma County Barrel Auction!

The Sonoma County Vintners team is thrilled to be celebrating this milestone Sonoma County Barrel Auction with you. I can't believe ten years have passed so quickly. We are very grateful to our vintners, winegrowers, multigenerational wine families, partners, wine trade and media for your amazing support over the past decade and appreciate your continued engagement at today's auction. Thank you to the spectacular MacMurray Estate Vineyards and their great team for once again hosting this important event in support of our amazing Sonoma County wine community.

We are excited to share the incredible diversity of creative and world-class "Never Before, Never Again" Sonoma County wines that our extraordinary vintners have handcrafted specifically for this year's 10th Anniversary SoCoBA. These one-of-a-kind wines reflect not only the breadth of appellations and varietals in Sonoma County, but also the innovation, collaboration, and generosity of our wine community. These wines are the epitome of world-class quality that you have come to expect from Sonoma County.

I also want to recognize the local wine community for all that you do each and every day. It is this dedicated and uplifting group of giving and talented people who are at the very heart of our SoCoBA, our county, and the soul of these once-in-a-lifetime wines.

Finally, I want to say a sincere THANK YOU to all of you for joining us today, and for your continued and fantastic support for not only today's SoCoBA, but for the past decade of Sonoma County winemaking and Sonoma County Vintners initiatives. We are confident that this year's amazing auction lot lineup will inspire and motivate you to bid often and celebrate all that is our amazing Sonoma County.

Cheers and here's to a great day!

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1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

BARREL AUCTION

4:00 PM

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I'm delighted to welcome you to MacMurray Ranch, purchased in 1941 by my father, Fred MacMurray. My family and I have fond memories of growing up on the ranch, raising cattle and crops and tending to our orchards and vegetable gardens. To this day, I remain deeply connected to this land in the heart of the Russian River Valley. Sonoma County continues to be the place I call home.

MacMurray Ranch, staying true to its rich agricultural history, planted vineyards for the first time in 1996. Today, our wines reflect not only our passion for this growing region, but for thoughtful winemaking as well. MacMurray has become synonymous with world-class Pinot Noir. Our storied and beautiful vineyards are mirrored in our elegant MacMurray Estate wines.

The Sonoma County Barrel Auction is an exciting event—a gathering of talented local growers, gifted winemakers and knowledgeable enthusiasts who lend their expertise to ensure this auction is unforgettable. I'm honored to host such a distinguished group of trade and vintners at my family's home.

This annual auction highlights the depth and breadth of extraordinary wines from Sonoma County. MacMurray Ranch is proud to co-host with our Sonoma County Vintners. We hope you will enjoy your experience in the heart of Russian River Valley at the 10th Anniversary Sonoma County Barrel Auction.

Warm Regards,


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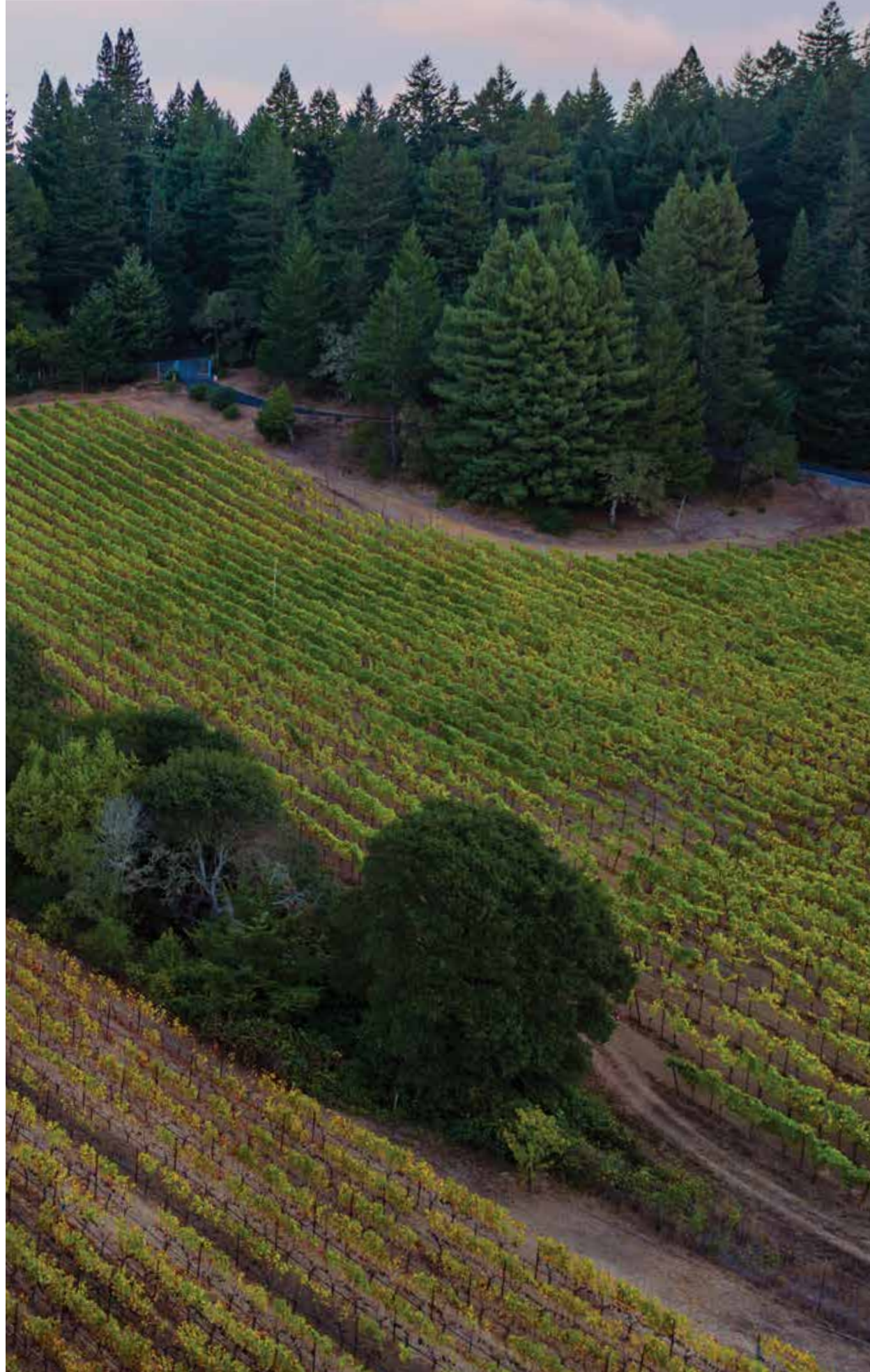
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HONOREES

Each year, members of our wine community who have shaped the heritage, history and creativity of Sonoma County winemaking are recognized at the Sonoma County Barrel Auction (SoCoBA). These honorees are recognized as Lifetime Achievement Award recipients, SoCoBA Icons and SoCoBA Innovators.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Lifetime Achievement Award recipients have made a significant impact in the wine community, pioneered new techniques with groundbreaking work, elevated Sonoma County and put Sonoma County wines on the world stage.

ICONS

Sonoma County Icons are individuals who have had a significant impact on the evolution, development and perpetuation of Sonoma County wine and have helped raise the global perception for Sonoma County wines.

INNOVATORS

Sonoma County Innovators are visionaries, who are introducing new methods, ideas or products. They provide fresh insight and new ways of thinking about wine and Sonoma County that help shape the future of our wine region and industry.

Join us in celebrating the contributions and achievements of your fellow wine industry leaders.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



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LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

ZELMA LONG

ENOLOGIST, WINEMAKER, CONSULTANT AND
AUTHOR FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS



A prolific enologist, winemaker, consultant and author, Zelma Long is one of the forerunners of California wine and was the first woman to assume leadership of a Californian winery, Simi Winery in Sonoma County. She founded the American Vineyard Foundation to help finance research in enology and viticulture, as well as the American Viticulture and Enology Research Network (AVERN). Zelma was also the founding president of Alexander Valley Winegrowers and a founding member of the North Coast Viticultural Research Group.

Zelma has received numerous awards and accolades over the course of her career, including the James Beard Hall of Fame and James Beard Wine Professional of the Year. She was named California Wine Pioneer by Wine Spectator and inducted into the Culinary Institute of America's Vintner's Hall of Fame. In 2009 the American Society of Enology and Viticulture selected her for the ASEV Award of Merit.

She has also received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the University of California, Davis. Zelma has written and contributed to numerous books and publications focused on wine, winemaking and the science of growing grapes.

Zelma has been involved in winemaking and viticulture projects around the world for the past 50 years and serves as a mentor to aspiring viticulturalists and winemakers. In the course of her career, she has consulted in countries and regions as diverse as Israel, Germany, the Rhone Valley, the Pacific Northwest and South Africa. She established Zelphi Wines with her husband Dr. Phillip Freese and they have, over 25 years, founded and established as winemaking partner and winegrowing partner Vilafonté Wine Estate in South Africa, named Best Wine Producer in the International Wine and Spirits Competition in 2021.



ICON & INNOVATOR HONOREES



ICON MARIMAR TORRES

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Marimar Torres has been involved in the wine business all her life. Born in Barcelona, Spain, she is fluent in six languages and holds a degree in Business & Economics from the University of Barcelona. She is also a graduate of the Stanford Executive Program and studied enology and viticulture for a year at the University of California at Davis. Prior to her involvement in the California operation, Marimar traveled extensively promoting Torres wines, first in Spain as the company's export director and later in North America, when California became her home in 1975. At that time, shipments of Torres wines to the U.S. totaled 15,000 cases; ten years later they reached 150,000.

In 1986, Marimar began planting the Don Miguel Vineyard, a 56-acre property in a cool microclimate in the Green Valley of the Russian River Valley ideally suited to Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Today the property encompasses 81 acres, planted with Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, and the Spanish varieties Albariño, Tempranillo and more recently, Godello. Also planted to Pinot Noir are 20 acres of a 180-acre property in West Sonoma County, between Freestone and Occidental. In 1992, a 15,000-case winery was built and the estate's first Pinot Noir was produced. Recently, her daughter, Cristina Torres, has taken over the day-to-day winery operations as General Manager while Marimar continues to be an enthusiastic ambassador for her unique wines and cookbooks, which highlight Spanish cuisine.



INNOVATOR GEORGE CHRISTIE

FOUNDER & CEO, WINE INDUSTRY NETWORK
PARTNER, SAINI VINEYARDS



George Christie, a New Jersey native, settled in Sonoma County in 1991 and quickly realized that the wine industry was where he wanted to concentrate his efforts.

Since then, he has been involved in nearly every aspect of the industry, from winery management, vineyard operations and grower relations to distributor management and national marketing campaigns. George has held board positions with the Russian River Wine Road, Winegrowers of Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County Vintners, Sonoma State Wine Business Institute, and WineAmerica.

In 2008, George and his wife Tami partnered with the Saini Family, fifth-generation Sonoma County grape growers, to create Saini Vineyards.

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President of John Curley Auctions, John Curley has 30 years of performance experience. He is a multiple Emmy Award TV host. He is an award-winning writer and current radio host in the Seattle market. As a Carnegie Mellon theater major, John Curley has performed on stages in a variety of plays throughout the United States. He serves on a number of boards, is a hospice care volunteer, and enjoys living in Cle Elum, “the heart of the Cascades” about 90 miles east of Seattle, with his two rescue pups. From New York to Sonoma County, John Curley is an incredible auctioneer who consistently shatters auction records to support fundraising efforts and local communities.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

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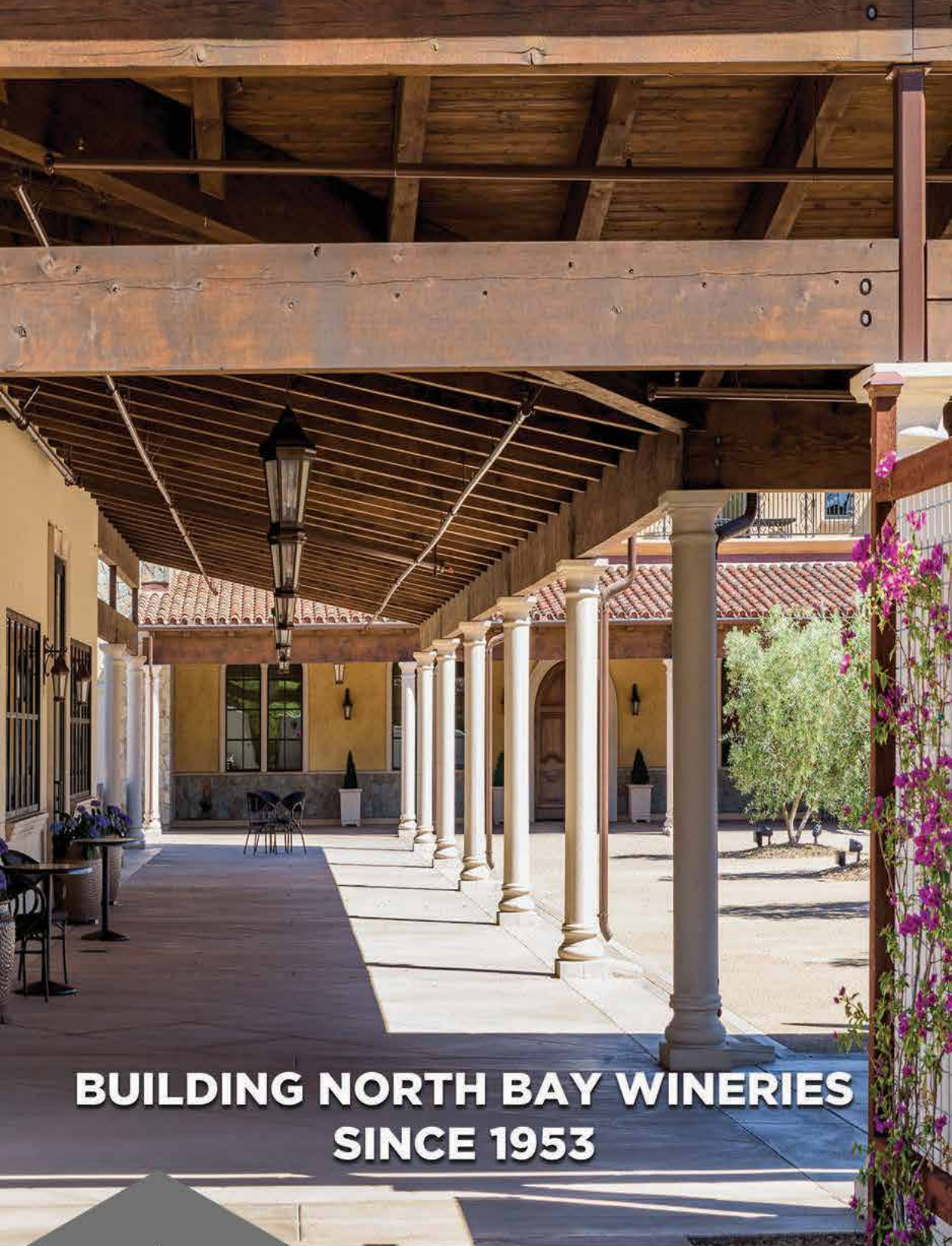
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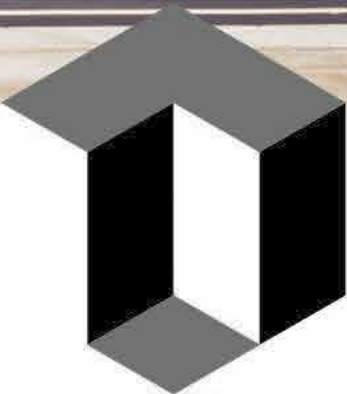
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WINE AUCTION LOTS



PRIDE MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS

FIRST & FIVE

LOT#
1

Cabernet Sauvignon

Rock Arch Vineyard

Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES

PRIDE
MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS

ABOUT THE WINE:

"First & Five" offers a first look at vineyard-to-bottle winemaking at Pride Mountain Vineyards as seen through Winemaker Matt Ward's eyes. Matt joined the winery in July of 2022, making this one of his first priorities. It is also special because it is sourced entirely from the five remaining acres of original estate vines present when the Pride family purchased the property in 1990. The finished wine is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, vinted entirely from free run juice. South-facing, Rock Arch Vineyard was planted in 1982 at an elevation of 2,100 feet and consistently produces fruit that is included in the winery's portfolio of reserve wines.

Pride Mountain Vineyards is a second-generation family owned and operated vineyard and winery situated at the crest of the Mayacamas Mountains. Since its founding, the Pride family's focus has been on making estate wines that reflect and honor the unique history and mountaintop location of this special property. Rock Arch Vineyard is named for the man-made stone arch that stood over the main entrance to the property in the 1800s. While the arch itself no longer stands, the stone wall that was contiguous to it runs alongside the vineyard that provided the fruit for this lot.

Notes of blackberry tart, cedar, summer savory, currants, bay leaf, and dried orange rind flood the palate, finishing with subtle hints of crème brûlée. While enjoyable in its youth, this wine will richly reward those with the patience to cellar it for a decade or more.

WINEMAKER: Matt Ward

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NJ, NY, NC, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea; please inquire for additional countries.

LOT#
2

BANSHEE WINES

WIND & FOG



BANSHEE

Pinot Noir

R&P Marcucci Vineyard 50%,
Sonoma-Davis Vineyard 50%
Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

A unique opportunity brought Banshee Wines to source from the R&P Marcucci Vineyard (Block 7- Pommard Clone) and the Sonoma-Davis Vineyard (Block B2- Clone 2A) for the 2023 vintage. They have never blended these blocks from the two vineyards before and may never have the opportunity again - so this is a true once-in-a-lifetime wine! The Pinot Noir for "Wind & Fog" is grown in the Carneros & Petaluma Gap regions within the Sonoma Coast AVA, influenced by its proximity to the Pacific Ocean. The climate here is subject to lingering morning and evening fog as well as cool coastal winds that flow through the San Pablo Bay making it the coolest and windiest AVA in Sonoma County. The cool-climate fruit from this region has intense dark fruit flavor characteristics and structured tannins.

Founded in 2009, Banshee Wines creates exceptional wines that are true to Sonoma County. Offering outstanding quality, Banshee produces wines of affordable luxury, extraordinary balance, purity, and depth of flavor, crafted from the cool, rugged, coastal areas of the far western Sonoma Coast and Sonoma County.

Winemaker Alicia Sylvester maintains a focus on wines that are true to style and representative of the best that Sonoma County and the Sonoma Coast have to offer. She pays attention to the natural characteristics of the fruit from the specific vineyard and region where it is grown and allows the Pinot Noir to express itself as naturally as possible. "Wind & Fog" is full of strawberry, cherry and earthiness on the nose, followed by cherry and raspberry flavors with rustic notes and a nice, medium weight. It has a fun mid-palate acid that integrates nicely into a smooth finish.

WINEMAKER: Alicia Sylvester

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Norway, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

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BENZIGER FAMILY WINERY

MOTHER EARTH

LOT#
3

Chardonnay

Sangiaco Vineyard
Carneros, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES

BENZIGER
family winery

ABOUT THE WINE:

“Mother Earth” is a distinctive first bottling from a single block of organically-farmed Old Wente Clone Chardonnay, sourced from the renowned Sangiaco Vineyard. At Benziger, the Chardonnay grape isn’t just a grape, it’s a tiny, round reflection of their wildly dynamic vineyards where it grows. It includes the naturally nutrient rich soil, the vines growing beautifully unbound and the efforts of every insect, animal and plant that surrounds their grapes.

In 1980 the land that now houses Benziger Ranch was acquired and 29 members of the Benziger family converged with aspirations of mastering the art of winemaking. For 15 years they followed conventional practices, protecting their grapes from the natural world. However, signs of erosion, invasive insects, and nutrient-depleted soil compelled them to make a radical shift. Embracing biodynamic farming, they invited nature back in, enduring a challenging three-year transition. Witnessing the vineyard’s gradual rejuvenation, they focused on Chardonnay as the expressive grape to showcase the extraordinary transformation, determined to share their vibrant vineyards with the world.

Winemaker Lisa Amaroli has been making wine at Benziger Family Winery for over twenty years and knows the vineyards inside and out. Lisa is passionate about cultivating our wines from their biodynamic and organically farmed properties. “Mother Earth” is finessed, expressive and insanely aromatic, with layers of complexity compelling the next sip. It features a creamy texture and silky roundness, with notes of lightly spiced poached pear, limoncello curd, and a hint of apricot.

WINEMAKER: Lisa Amaroli

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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LOT#
4

ADOBE ROAD WINERY

FAST CARS & FINE WINES



**Petite Sirah 40%, Grenache 25%, Syrah 20%,
Zinfandel 10%, Viognier 5%**

The Harris Estate 40%, Branham Vineyard 40%,
Jack Florence Vineyard 20%

Rockpile 60%, Dry Creek Valley 40%, Sonoma County
2021

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Adobe Road lives by the mantra that rules were made to be broken. Flying in the face of traditional winemaking norms is an area where they excel. This lot is a perfect example. A nod to France's Rhône River valley with its feet firmly rooted in Sonoma County, this "Fast Cars & Fine Wines" blend is truly bespoke.

Championship racecar driver Kevin Buckler started Adobe Road Winery in 2002. Together with Adobe Road Winemaker Garrett Martin, Kevin enjoys pushing the envelope in the wine cellar just as he does on the racetrack. Their wines have been awarded over seventy 90+ scores from Wine Spectator and Robert Parker's Wine Advocate. Their sister company, The Racers Group, has reached the pinnacle of endurance racing with four wins at the 24 Hours of Daytona, a win at the 24 hours of Le Mans and seven series championships with Kevin as the lead driver.

Garrett brings his master blending approach to this wine, coaxing the best out of each vineyard and block and expertly weaving the flavors together, even with the addition of a white wine in this red blend. A dark, velvety mouthfeel of Petite Sirah is softened and enhanced by the addition of famous Rhône varietals. Melted licorice meets wild strawberry in this powerful yet refined blend. Buckle up and hold on for "Fast Cars & Fine Wines."

WINEMAKER: Garrett Martin

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: December 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KY, ME, MD, MA,
MI, MS, MO, MT, NV, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OH, OR, RI, SC, TX, VT,
VA, WA, WI, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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CONVENE, BY DAN KOSTA

WESTERN WIND

LOT#
5

Pinot Noir

West Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

2023

10 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

"Western Wind" is an expressive Pinot Noir forged in barrels coopered by Boutes, Sirugue & Rousseau in Burgundy. Dan Kosta loves the tension he tastes in this special wine from the West Sonoma Coast. It is a result of extreme growing conditions - the windswept bluffs just a few miles from the Pacific Ocean, combined with a blend of his favorite clones 777 and 115. The vineyards are surrounded by ancient redwood trees and ferns shrouded in fog.

Aged for 15 months, the oak is understated but the wine is powerful. Subtle tannins suggest it will age beautifully, prompting a desire to save this wine for a special gathering. This deep garnet hued wine shows notes of strawberry, Bing cherry and rose petals, finishing with bright acidity in a blend of red fruit flavors.

Convène is where the story continues for one of Sonoma County's most acclaimed vintners. Building on his experience as the co-founder of Kosta Browne Winery, Dan continues his commitment to crafting world class Pinot Noir.

WINEMAKERS: Dan Kosta, Shane Finley

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: January 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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LOT#
6

BALLETTO VINEYARDS

CLASSIC SEBASTOPOL HILLS



Pinot Noir

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

This "Classic Sebastopol Hills" custom blend encompasses the best of the Balletto family's Sebastopol Hills vineyard sites. It features grapes from the warm sun on Cider Ridge, the cool north-west facing Sexton Hill, and finally the vineyard that started it all - Burnside Road which was planted in 1995 by John Balletto and was the first vineyard in the area that is now the highly acclaimed Sebastopol Hills.

The Balletto family own over 800 acres of vineyards in the Russian River Valley. Winemaker Anthony Beckman is given first choice from these vineyards, selecting only 5% of all the grapes grown for the Balletto label. The remaining grapes are sold to other well-known Sonoma and Napa wineries. Their 100% certified sustainable vineyards incorporate cover crops, composting, natural pest control, habitat management and recycled water. Balletto Vineyards is a 100% solar powered winery.

The wine is everything you would expect from these cold, low-lying and wind swept hills. Get ready for flavors of spice and earth with structure, tannins and wonderful natural acidity. It's both light and fresh yet serious and age worthy.

WINEMAKER: Anthony Beckman

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: February 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, LA, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

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ALEXANDER VALLEY VINEYARDS

PRIMO

LOT#
7

Zinfandel

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

Alexander Valley Vineyards (AVV) and the Wetzel family have a long history with Zinfandel. The culmination of their decades with the varietal was recognized in December 2023 with Wine Spectator's Top 100 list announcement. Alexander Valley Vineyards Zinfandel was the only Zinfandel named to the 2023 list. In celebration of that achievement, they selected one of their most distinctive lots destined for the next vintage of AVV Zinfandel. In honor of the Top 100, AVV is simply calling this wine "Primo."

The southern Alexander Valley is defined by warm days and cool nights. That climate and gnarly old vines planted in 1891 on the valley floor make this a unique and special lot of Zinfandel. The giant head-pruned vines are low-yielding and produce grapes with incredible concentration and flavors.

Winemaker Kevin Hall selected a single barrel of Zinfandel from the century-old vines for this special bottling, allowing the fruit to shine in this small lot. After harvest on Sept 6, 2022, the wine was fermented for three weeks in half-ton macro-bins with gentle punch-downs twice daily to extract flavor and color. After fermentation, the wine was pressed off and settled for 24 hours before being barreled down into a new Barrel Associates American oak barrel. The wine will gently age in AVV's naturally cooled caves for 22 months before bottling. This is a big, rich wine with enticing aromas and the classic spicy flavors that Zin lovers expect, along with beautiful balance and acidity for which Alexander Valley Vineyards is known.

WINEMAKER: Kevin Hall

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan, Korea; please inquire for additional countries.

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LOT#
8

ACTA WINE

DEEDS NOT WORDS

ACTA

Cabernet Sauvignon

Battle Vineyard

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

ACTA Wine's core winemaking philosophy uses blending as a central tool, often only needing just touches of a secondary vineyard, varietal or cooperage to create a more compelling wine. However, from time to time the winemaking team comes across a vineyard and vintage combination that begs for them to bottle it by varietal and/or vineyard with nothing extra, just the pure example of that place and vines. ACTA has never before and will never again make this incredible "Deeds Not Words" selection from the Battle Vineyard in the Chalk Hill area of Alexander Valley, which typically serves as a vital component of their Alexander Valley Cabernet and as a part of the blend in their DEEDS Proprietary Red.

ACTA sits squarely in the heart of Alexander Valley and the property has history dating back over 100 years, including some of the old vine plantings that were intentionally part of the decision to make this the home of ACTA and rehabilitate this incredible piece of land. The Battle Family Vineyard, and specifically the singular block that represents this selection, sits high in the eastern, rolling hills of the Chalk Hill area. With a virtually perfect mix of well-draining soils and well-placed sun aspect, it gets intensity and character in a very consistent flavor profile.

The fruit profile of Battle Vineyard exudes the savory fruit from the finer wines of the region. Hints of tobacco and leather combined with lilac fill the nose. Blueberry, blackcurrant and stewed plum are present across the entire palate and are paired with the distinct and abundant tannin from both fruit and barrel.

WINEMAKERS: Dustin Moilanen, Joe Nielsen

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: January 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, CA, FL, MA, NV, TX

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

BACA WINES

TUG O' WAR ADVENTURE

LOT#
9

Zinfandel

Maffei Vineyard

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

BACA's "Tug O' War Adventure" is sourced from Block 6 of the Maffei Vineyard along the Santa Rosa plains in the heart of the Russian River Valley Appellation. Here, Zinfandel vines were planted in 1928 to limited, loamy soils where these 'old vines' struggle and produce clusters of expressive, pure, and ripe berry flavors. Known more for pinot noir and chardonnay, the Russian River's cool climate showcases Zinfandel's ability to adapt to the climate where it is planted, offering a nerve of acidity in the wine, while also offering profound depth, nuance, and serious aging potential. This family-owned vineyard continues to be farmed by Joanne Maffei, the fourth-generation farmer of the site.

"Tug O' War Adventure" Zinfandel is deep garnet in color. Pure, lush fruit aromas of brambly berries reflect a classic Russian River profile with the added complexity of floral and candied orange notes. This wine is dark and brooding in nature with a polished, tannic structure filled out with plush fruit and vibrant acidity that leads to a finessed, spicy finish.

BACA is an independent family-owned winery founded by Craig and Kathryn Hall and Directed by Kathryn's daughter, Jennifer Brown. Named for the Latin word for berry, BACA is a journey of wines from Heritage vineyard sites throughout California.

WINEMAKERS: Megan Gunderson, Alison Frichtl

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IA, KS, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

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LOT#
10

APERTURE CELLARS

BLOCK 12



Cabernet Sauvignon

Farrow Ranch

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

"Block 12" is crafted from a single vineyard block at the famed Farrow Ranch, Aperture's eastern hillside Geyserville estate vineyard site. This is the first 100-point vineyard in Alexander Valley history. While the Aperture team works with several of the distinctive block gems on the 80-acre property, this particular block has never been highlighted on its own before.

The team at Aperture first began working with Farrow Ranch for the 2010 vintage and created its first single vineyard wine for the Devil Proof Vineyards Malbec, their sister label in 2012. After having the privilege of working with the property for a decade and multiple 100-point scores were achieved from the vineyards, Aperture purchased the property to ensure future work with all the vineyard blocks, including the exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon vines from block 12. "Now that we have ownership of the estate," said founder and head winemaker Jesse Katz, "we have access to blocks we never had access to before." These vines grow on red iron-rich volcanic soil and the wine will be matured for 22 months in 100% new French oak.

"Block 12" demonstrates a full-bodied palate with concentrated fruit, supported by velvety tannins and a seamless, underlying vein of freshness that drives the wine. Expect this wine to gain intensity and nuance as it spends time in the glass and will be long-lived in the cellar.

WINEMAKERS: Head Winemaker Jesse Katz,
Director of Winemaking Hillary Sjolund

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: March 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, CA, CO, FL, GA, HI, IL, MT, NV, NJ, NY, OK, PA, SC, TN, TX

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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JOSEPH SWAN VINEYARDS, ARISTA WINERY

THREE BIRDS SQUARED

LOT#
11

Pinot Noir

Trenton Estate 50%, Two Birds Vineyard 50%
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County
2023
10 CASES



Joseph Swan Vineyards

ABOUT THE WINE:

Mark McWilliams of Arista Winery approached his friend Rod Berglund of Joseph Swan Vineyards and explained that the Pinot Noir wines produced by their respective vineyards have never been made by anyone than their two estate wineries. Arista did not make a Pinot Noir from the Laguna Ridge neighborhood and Joseph Swan did not make one from the Middle Reach Neighborhood. What if the two wineries swapped a small amount of fruit? Expecting instant rejection, Mark was shocked with Rod's tentative "yes." They walked each other's vineyards and the deal was done.

Arista Two Bird's Vineyard is named after the founders (Mark's parents) nickname. The Joseph Swan Trenton Estate Vineyard is named after the former community of Trenton where the winery and vineyard are located. The house was also the town's post office and general store. The first Pinot Noir was planted by Joseph Swan in 1969 to what became known as the Swan Clone of Pinot Noir.

This unique lot is the first (and only) time Mark McWilliams and Rod Berglund have combined not only each of their own respective Estate Vineyard lots but also the wines they have made from each other's estates. However, they needed a name for the project and "Three Birds Squared" was born. A swan, from the name Joseph Swan, is one real type of bird and Arista's vineyard is named Two Birds! Expect classic Russian River Valley red fruits with hints of wood spice and floral perfume. "Three Birds Squared" shows depth, balance, and elegance while being complex and complete.

WINEMAKERS: Rod Berglund (Joseph Swan Vineyards),
Matt Courtney (Arista Winery)

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, LA, MA, MI, MS, MT,
NV, NJ, NY, NC, OR, PA, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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LOT#
12

BREATHLESS SPARKLING WINES

THE THREE P'S



**Sparkling Wine - Pinot Noir 34%,
Pinot Meunier 33%, Pinot Blanc 33%**
Russian River Valley 34%, Carneros 33%,
Alexander Valley 33%, Sonoma County
2022
5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Founded by three Sonoma County sisters – Rebecca, Sharon, and Cynthia – Breathless Sparkling Wines is their tribute to their mother, Martha Jane, the remarkable woman who inspired it all. In the heart of Sonoma County, the sisters transformed their shared dream into a reality. At Breathless, opening a bottle is more than an act, it's a celebration. Join them as they redefine the ordinary and turn the pop of a cork into a Breathless moment of pure joy, sabers and sparkle.

Winemaker Penny Gadd-Coster crafts five single-vineyard Breathless sparkling wines, and for the first time she has blended several lots from different vineyard sites to craft this unique auction lot. Each of the components is from a small family-owned vineyard that uses sustainable farming practices.

Indulging in this “The Three P’s” is like experiencing a symphony of flavors. Each sip will take you on a journey, revealing layers of complexity and nuance. From the crisp citrus notes to the subtle hints of minerality, this wine is a celebration of the diverse and intricate characteristics that define each vineyard.

WINEMAKER: Penny Gadd-Coster

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: October 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: October 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, FL, NV, TX

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

DAVIS BYNUM

BILLY SWAN

LOT#
13

Pinot Noir

Dutton Ranch - Billy Gregori
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

The name "Billy Swan" pays tribute to both the Billy Gregori vineyard in the Green Valley of the Russian River Valley and the Swan Pinot Noir clone from which it is made. The celebrated Goldridge sandy loam soils of the cooler Green Valley area of the Russian River Valley are renowned for creating wines of true distinction. This "never before, never again" wine was barrel fermented in French Oak puncheons. It displays a powerful bouquet of cherries and spice. Expect integrated silky tannins, fine acidity, and a finish that goes on and on.

Davis Bynum was a pioneer in the Russian River Valley, making his first single vineyard Pinot Noir in 1973 from a winery built out of an old hop kiln. The winemaking team's philosophy of minimalist viticulture is the product of his deep respect and understanding of the Russian River Valley's unique terroir. In keeping with Bynum's hands-off winemaking philosophy, Davis Bynum wines are unfiltered, and this natural, Old World style of winemaking yields complex, aromatic and flavorful wines with nuanced characteristics and subtleties.

WINEMAKER: Greg Morthole

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

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LOT#
14

BRANDON GREGORY ESTATE

THE JOURNEY

BRANDON
GREGORY

Cabernet Sauvignon 74%, Cabernet Franc 26%

Brookshire Vineyard
Knights Valley, Sonoma County
2022
5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

This delicious Bordeaux blend was crafted by winemaker Julien Fayard and blended from the best barrels of the small lot wines produced by Brandon Gregory Estate in 2022. In 1871, Clark Foss, a daredevil stagecoach driver and entrepreneur, founded the town of Fossville which once stood on the land of Brandon Gregory Estate's Brookshire Vineyard. Foss started a stagecoach line to service luxury tourists traveling from Calistoga and Healdsburg to the geysers on Mount Saint Helena. Foss became a star, earning the reputation as an entertainer who coaxed his horses to go too fast on the winding road. Passengers were both thrilled and frightened by the experience. Prominent visitors included JP Morgan, William Randolph Hearst, President Ulysses S. Grant, and Mark Twain. "The Journey" was named to honor the many journeys of Foss and the estate's journey in winemaking.

Over the past decade, vintners Brandon Muller and Gregory Roberts acquired two Knights Valley properties, Helena Vista Ranch and Vineyard, and Brookshire Ranch and Vineyard, totaling 1,186 acres. Sixty-two acres of premium grapes are planted, and the remainder is reserved as pristine conservation land.

Grapes are harvested by hand in the early morning and then optically sorted at the winery to ensure only the best berries are selected. Wines are fermented on skins as separate lots, transferred to French oak barrels, and aged before blending. Blended wines are returned to barrel for additional aging before bottling. This wine will be bottled without fining or filtration. Expect intertwined aromas and flavors of classic Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc markers, including blackberry, cherry, cassis, and dried crushed herbs with approachable tannins, silky texture, lively acidity, and a fresh and long finish.

WINEMAKER: Julien Fayard

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: January 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

BROOKS NOTE WINERY

ASH AND WIND

LOT#
15

Pinot Noir

Sweet Family Vineyard
Petaluma Gap, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

“Ash and Wind” is made of grapes from the very first harvest of the newly planted Sweet Family Vineyard. Developed and farmed by Charlie Chenoweth, this protected bowl sits at 750 feet of elevation on the southern side of Sonoma Mountain. Brooks Note was very lucky to run experimental lots on nearly all of the clones planted at the site and put together this unique blend. They regard the 2023 growing season as a once-in-a-career vintage that allowed for the ideal ripening pattern.

The lot name references two of the unique characteristics, wind and ash, that shape the wines produced from this site. Vineyards in the Petaluma Gap are significantly affected by the winds that lengthen the growing season and thicken grape skins, which help make flavorful wines with great structure. Ash is a reference to the prolific rhyolite deposits throughout the vineyard which are from ancient Sonoma Volcanics. This volcanic stone has limited nitrogen content, but is rich in micronutrients which naturally limit the vines vegetative growth and increase access to beneficial micronutrients. Rhyolitic soils are also known to help plants uptake and sequester more carbon from the atmosphere!

Owner-operators Garry Brooks and Joanne (Note) Brooks, founded their small family winery, Brooks Note, in 2012. What started as a Pinot Noir passion project has turned into a community of intrepid wine fans. Anchored in downtown Petaluma, Brooks Note presents a portfolio of elegant, vineyard-driven wines from the hidden corners of Sonoma, Marin and Napa, made by Garry himself. “Wind and Ash” has beautiful purity of fruit, with subtle floral and spice aromatics that enhance the bright red fruit flavors. The wine finishes with a lovely crispness and pronounced minerality.

WINEMAKER: Garry Brooks

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, IL

LOT#
16

CHALK HILL ESTATE VINEYARDS & WINERY

WINNER'S CIRCLE



Pinot Noir

Winner's Circle 85%, Trenton Old Barn 15%
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

"Winner's Circle" is the first time a 100% Pinot Noir wine has been solely sourced from these two vineyards. The juxtaposition of the steep hillside rows in the Winner's Circle vineyard and flat vineyard rows of the Trenton Old Barn vineyard creates a wine of layered complexity and characteristics. The 2023 vintage was the latest start to harvest in several years, due to the cold and wet spring. The extra rain greatly improved the health of the vineyards and provided them with very strong canopies. This is a truly exceptional vintage that produced fruit of the highest quality from their estate.

The true essence of Chalk Hill is its estate, a unique corner of Sonoma County wine country. Here, proprietor Bill Foley both preserves the nature of the land and honors it by producing wines reflecting its exceptional qualities. All grape-picking decisions are based off taste, with late or extended hang time added to minimize any pyrazines and soften tannins. The winemaking team keeps each vineyard pick separate, ferments and ages them separately, then blends at just the right time to allow the wines to marry together.

"Winner's Circle" is fruit-forward with aromas of Bing cherry, cranberry and spice. The palette offers earthy undertones with hints of mushroom and tobacco. Soft chewy tannins provide a layered structure with complexity and depth.

WINEMAKER: Darrell Holbrook

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

DEERFIELD RANCH WINERY

SONOMA PRIVATE RESERVE SELECT

LOT#
17

**Cabernet Sauvignon 60%, Merlot 15%, Malbec 12%,
Cabernet Franc 8%, Petit Verdot 5%**

Sonoma Mountain 60%, Sonoma Valley 40%,

Sonoma County

2021

10 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

Deerfield Ranch Winery's "Sonoma Private Reserve Select" is a one-off Bordeaux style Meritage blend by master blender, winemaker and owner Robert Rex and winemaker, Cecilia Valdivia. Blended by taste from just the best tasting barrels from each of the five varietal lots, the winning bidder will have the opportunity to join Robert and Cecilia for the final blending trials for this unique "Sonoma Private Reserve Select."

Deerfield Ranch Winery is a small family owned winery, now in its 41st harvest in Sonoma Valley, producing around 10,000 cases per year from estate and terroir driven vineyards throughout Sonoma County. Robert and PJ Rex met at UC Berkeley in 1968. They started as home winemakers after PJ gave Robert a winemaking kit in 1972 as a thank you for fixing her Alfa Romeo. Ten years later, they left their city careers to turn their hobby into their profession, found Deerfield Ranch in Kenwood, got married there, and turned a horse barn into their first winery. In 2000, they bought 47 acres on Highway 12 and built the Deerfield Ranch Winery and cave.

The grapes for "Sonoma Private Reserve Select" were sourced from eight different vineyards. Robert has developed long-standing relationships with these vineyard owners and is very hands-on in the vineyards. Robert is the pioneer of the CleanWine® movement, which promotes wine made with low in histamines and sulfites. The 2021 vintage was one of their best of the decade, producing full-bodied wines with exceptional complexity. Expect a taste profile of a classic left bank Bordeaux from this barrel select auction lot that you can have a hand in creating.

WINEMAKERS: Cecelia Valeivia, Robert Rex

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: June 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: October 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

FL

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
18

DUMOL

OVER THE HILLSIDE



DuMOL

Pinot Noir

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Winemaker, Viticulturist and Partner Andy Smith crafts wines of depth, clarity and elegance through attention to detail in the vineyards and vintage-specific winegrowing. He is dedicated to crafting highly nuanced, vineyard-focused Pinot Noirs from distinctive sites in the cool-climate Russian River Valley, within a 10 mile radius, in a hyperlocal area within Green Valley.

Their 2024 SoCoBA lot offering is from a nearby vineyard that DuMOL has worked with for over 20 years. In the past, they have incorporated this fruit into their flagship Finn Pinot Noir, but have never bottled it as a standalone wine until now. This special vineyard is literally over the hillside from their DuMOL estate vineyards, and as such inspired the name for this unique lot.

Expect a kaleidoscopic range of aromas and flavors in the finished wine, from bright, crunchy red to deep, dark black fruits with a woody, savory complexity. There is a lovely purity of fruit on the palate with significant structure and vibrant acidity, and a lilting lifted finish.

WINEMAKER: Andy Smith

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Norway, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

DELOACH VINEYARDS

IN VINO CONCORDIA

LOT#
19

Pinot Noir

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

10 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

"In Vino Concordia" or 'Harmony in Wine' brings together two passions of DeLoach Vineyards - The Russian River Valley and a focus on biodynamic farming practices. The founder of DeLoach Vineyards, Christine DeLoach, petitioned for the Russian River Valley American Viticultural Area (AVA) status, which was granted in 1983. DeLoach was the first to plant Pinot Noir on the Olivet Bench in 1973 and was the first winery to use the Russian River Valley AVA on wine labels. The winery and estate were certified CCOF in 2008 and Demeter Biodynamic in 2009.

DeLoach Vineyard's dedication to traditional Burgundian winemaking techniques allows the winery to combine modern technology and centuries-old French customs, resulting in fantastic wines. They really lean into their Burgundian roots as proprietor Jean-Charles Boisset and his family have a very strong presence in Burgundy, crafting some of the finest wines from the region. "In Vino Concordia" delivers harmonious aromas of spice and red currants mixed with dark fruits, followed by raspberry, dark cherry, baking spices, and sweet vanilla on the palate, with a long, savory finish.

WINEMAKER: Brian Maloney

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC.

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
20

ERNEST VINEYARDS

EDGE OF THE WORLD

Ernest Vineyards

Chardonnay

Joyce Vineyard

West Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Joyce Vineyard is the southernmost vineyard in the West Sonoma Coast AVA. Perched on a steep, southeastern facing slope and ringed by Redwoods and coastal pines, this isolated vineyard truly feels like standing on the “Edge of the World.” Made from grapes grown on a tiny 3-acre parcel, Winemaker Joseph Ryan selected this lot from a single, one-of-a-kind puncheon, produced by master coopers in France.

Erin Brooks, co-founder of Ernest Vineyards, and Joseph Ryan are deeply involved in the West Sonoma Coast Vintners and are happy to share the special wines from this region. The Ernest Estate has grown to five vineyards in the Freestone-Occidental area on the southern end of the West Sonoma Coast. “Edge of the World” is their second vintage to carry the new West Sonoma Coast AVA designation and the first to be certified organic by CCOF.

Most of the efforts in the production of this wine are spent in the vineyard which is farmed by Kevin, Luciano, Simon, Victor, Ivan and Joseph of Barton Farming, Ernest’s very own farming company. This attention to detail during the growing season leads to a hands-off approach in the cellar. Pressed and sent to barrel after 48 hours of settling, this wine undergoes a long, cool fermentation on ambient yeasts and naturally occurring full malolactic conversion. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered after an 18 month élevage, expect flavors of green pear, lemon curd, mint, white pepper, crushed rocks and slate.

WINEMAKER: Joseph Ryan

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, CO, GA, IL, MT, NV, NJ, NY, PA, SC, TN

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

DAVIS BYNUM

PINOT PIONEER

LOT#
21

Pinot Noir

Jane's Vineyard

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2017

4 CASES

DAVIS
BYNUM

ABOUT THE WINE:

One of the original icons of Sonoma County wine, Davis Bynum was the very first vintner to produce a single vineyard Russian River Valley Pinot Noir. This never before, never again Pinot Noir, crafted from Bynum's favorite clones, is an elegant tribute to this visionary winemaker, who passed away at the age of 92 in December of 2017.

Davis Bynum left a career in journalism to start making wine in 1965. He built his namesake winery in an old hop kiln in 1973, vinting single vineyard Pinot Noir from Joe Rochioli Jr's now-legendary vineyard. Today, more than 40 years later, under the direction of Proprietor Tom Klein, Winemaker Greg Morthole and Consultant David Ramey, the heritage of Davis Bynum lives on through the handcrafted creation of single vineyard wines grown exclusively in Russian River Valley.

The Pommard Clone and Dijon Clone 115 were the two selections that always captured Bynum's imagination. These two clones are typically blended with others, but Winemaker Greg Morthole took a chance on partnering them to create a unique Pinot Noir blend. For the first time ever, the earthy, spicy and soft Pommard clone has joined with the bright red cherry and rose accents from the Dijon 115 for a highly unique tribute to an undeniable innovator.

WINEMAKER: Greg Morthole

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: This special lot from 2018 SoCoBA is being re-released for 2024.

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: Available for immediate shipping post-event.

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

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LOT#
22

DOMAINE DE LA RIVIÈRE

BARREL BROTHERS

DOMAINE DE LA

Rivière

Pinot Noir

Vineyard Eleven

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

The “Barrel Brothers” auction lot is made from special barrel selections of Pommard and UV-Vosne Romanée Pinot Noir clones from Domaine de la Rivière’s estate, Vineyard eleven. The “Barrel Brothers” (Duff and Zak Bedrosian) worked with winemaker Kale Anderson to craft a unique blend of their favorite clones. Vineyard eleven is located on a ridgeline between Eastside and Starr Roads in the Middle Reach Neighborhood of the Russian River Valley. It sits just above the Russian River and benefits from the morning fog of the Petaluma Gap and Russian River, complemented by warm afternoons.

Domaine de la Rivière is family owned and managed by proprietors Marla and Geoff Bedrosian, and their sons Duff and Zak. They are dedicated to crafting limited production, age-worthy wines that create memorable experiences. Winemaker Kale Anderson is a Sonoma County native and strives to pay homage to the terroir by blending traditional and modern winemaking practices, showcasing the uniqueness of each vintage by using varying amounts of whole cluster and native fermentation. The winning bidder can expect a true Russian River Valley, Middle Reach Pinot Noir from this lot, reflecting dark cherry, raspberry, dark plum and allspice flavors with rich lush tannins.

WINEMAKER: Kale Anderson

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: September 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, CA, CT, IL

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Korea; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

DRY CREEK VINEYARD

HERITAGE SELECTION

LOT#
23

Zinfandel 83%, Petite Sirah 17%

Spencer's Hill 54%, Somers Ranch 18%,
Wallace Ranch 15%, Farmhouse Vineyard 13%
Dry Creek Valley 87%, Russian River Valley 13%,
Sonoma County

2022

10 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

A tribute to the enduring legacy of Zinfandel, "Heritage Selection" is a blend from four distinct vineyards, each planted to the historic Mazzoni clone. Each site produces its own singular expression: from Spencer's Hill, powerful, rich fruit tones; from Somers Ranch, elegant, red-fruit nuances; from Wallace Ranch, classic Dry Creek Valley spice and ripe fruit character; and from Farmhouse Vineyard, richness and peppery spice notes.

The Mazzoni clone was the genesis of Dry Creek Vineyard's Heritage Vines Zinfandel project, initiated in 1982 to preserve the tradition and heritage of very old Zinfandel vineyards by grafting cuttings from a pre-Prohibition era vineyard onto phylloxera-resistant rootstock. The process ultimately produced "young vine" wines with "old vine" Zinfandel characteristics reminiscent of turn-of-the-century heirloom vines. This highly acclaimed clone has consistently produced Dry Creek Vineyard wines rated 90+ points, including a Wine Spectator Top 100 winner.

Led by second-generation owners Kim and Don Wallace, Dry Creek Vineyard's mission to preserve the heritage of Zinfandel mirrors the winery's strong commitment to support family-owned and -operated farms in Dry Creek Valley.

WINEMAKER: Tim Bell

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: May 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

LOT#
24

FISHER VINEYARDS

HIGH ELEVATION HERITAGE



Chardonnay

Mountain Estate Vineyard

Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

This “High Elevation Heritage” barrel auction lot represents a special selection from the 20th consecutive vintage produced from the winery’s Mountain Estate Vineyard. First planted in 1999 to a selection of Dijon clones, this hillside site is located at an elevation spanning 1,000 - 1,300 feet on a steep, northeastern facing hillside. Owing to its mountain aspect, these vines receive cooler morning light and minimal exposure to hot afternoon sun, which has proven ideal for the gradual ripening and maturation of Chardonnay grapes. This site perennially produces tiny clusters boasting brilliant minerality and classic Chardonnay character.

Founded in 1973 by Fred and Juelle Fisher - and now led by three siblings of the second generation - Fisher Vineyards produces terroir driven, estate grown wines. Blessed by significant contributions over five decades from several of California’s great wine talents (including Paul Hobbs, Mia Klein, David Abreu, Aaron Pott and Adam Goodrich), Fisher Vineyards now releases nine estate grown, small-production bottlings each year.

“High Elevation Heritage” completed native yeast primary and secondary fermentations, aging on primary lees without the use of sulfur additions. It was aged in 100% French oak barrique (40% new) for 18 months. Rich in phenolic texture, the palate gives way to flavors of lemon zest, apple blossom, wet stone minerality and bright, mountain acidity.

WINEMAKER: Adam Goodrich

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: April 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NV, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

EMERITUS VINEYARDS

UNTAMED

LOT#
25

Pinot Noir

Hallberg Ranch

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

“Untamed” is cool-climate Pinot Noir in one of its rarest forms: crafted from two small blocks of the Hyde clone at the Emeritus estate Hallberg Ranch Vineyard that yield only a few tons each harvest. Never before bottled on their own, these two blocks were picked, fermented, and aged as a separate lot. The result is stunning - a wine that showcases this historic clone at Hallberg Ranch, yet still maintains the charming and elegant style ubiquitous to Emeritus.

The Hyde clone came to Emeritus while legendary vintner Brice Cutrer Jones and Aubert de Villaine, proprietor of Domaine de la Romanée Conti, were developing a vineyard together on the coastline of Sonoma County. Brice asked Aubert for the finest clone of Pinot Noir he knew of, and Aubert said that his cousin-in-law Larry Hyde had one, which vineyard manager Kirk Lokka promptly went to pick up. Several years after, Aubert inspired Brice to dry-farm his vineyards, a decision that would forever alter the style of Emeritus. The winery is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. Now second-generation vintner Mari Jones leads the charge as winery president, joined by a talented team who share Brice’s exacting vision for quality and are the true backbone of this family-run winery.

“Untamed” was 15% whole-cluster fermented, encouraging complexity and soft tannins that help complement the rustic nature of the Hyde clone. Emeritus’s barrel program has lighter toasting and uses predominantly Vosges wood, contributing to a Pinot Noir that is built to age beautifully, expressive now with the capacity to develop over the next ten years. The wine is an authentic, distinctive, individual Pinot Noir, reflecting the earthiness of the Hyde clone and the red fruit of Russian River Valley. It’s concentrated, complex, and characterful.

WINEMAKER: Keith Hammond

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: January 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, NE, NV, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, TX, VA, WA, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

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LOT#
26

KOSTA BROWNE

THE GREEN VALLEY CUVÉE

KOSTA BROWNE

Pinot Noir

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

10 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Kosta Browne Winery presents “The Green Valley Cuvée,” a mesmerizing, one-of-a-kind exclusive hailing from the acclaimed Treehouse, Keefer Ranch, and Giusti Ranch vineyards. All located within the unique terroir of Green Valley, a subregion nestled within the iconic Russian River Valley on California’s North Coast and meticulously crafted to celebrate its distinct character, this Pinot Noir beautifully encapsulates the harmonious synergy between power, grace, and precision.

Winemaker Julien Howsepian drew inspiration while blending this exceptional wine from some of his favorite sites and the storied legacy of Russian River Valley, paying homage to a revered trinity of some of Kosta Browne’s most sought-after vineyard sources. From the unbridled power of Treehouse Vineyard to the consummate elegance of Keefer Ranch and the remarkable structure and expressive fruit of Giusti Ranch, these elite sites unite to create a wine of unmatched character.

Kosta Browne’s commitment to excellence is reflected in every aspect of winemaking, from minimal intervention in the cellar to 100% native fermentation, and each vineyard’s diverse terroir is thoughtfully highlighted. Discover “The Green Valley Cuvée,” an incomparable wine as captivating as it is limited.

WINEMAKER: Julien Howsepian

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

DOMAINE DELLA

PASSION OBSESSION AND LOVE

LOT#
27

Pinot Noir

Terra de Promissio 34%, Earl Stephens Vineyard 33%,
Graham Family Vineyard 33%
Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

Domaine Della is celebrating the significant milestone of its 10th anniversary this year and felt that it was perfect to share this momentous occasion with the Sonoma County Barrel Auction's own 10th anniversary. To commemorate these parallel landmarks, Domaine Della created "Passion, Obsession and Love" which is a testament to a decade of dedication and relentless pursuit of winemaking excellence at the winery. This offering is not just an auction lot; it is a piece of the winery's history, an expression of our gratitude to the community that has supported them, and a celebration of the artistry that defines Sonoma County's viticultural excellence.

Winemaker David W. Hejl was the CEO and General Manager of Kosta Browne Winery but left in 2015 to pursue his own luxury label, Domaine Della. The winery's mission is to craft intense and adventurous wines while partnering with growers, to create a true expression in harmony and balance with a sense of place. These wines are extremely limited-production and all past vintages are sold out.

By bidding on this auction lot, you are not just acquiring a rare and exclusive wine; you are becoming a part of Domaine Della's story and broader narrative of Sonoma County's rich winemaking heritage. This lot is a one-time offering, making it a truly unique opportunity to celebrate the past, present and future of exceptional winemaking.

WINEMAKER: David W. Hejl

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: January 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: February 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, IL, IN, KY, ME, MD, MA, NV, NH,
OH, TN, VT, Washington, DC

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
28

FERRARI-CARANO VINEYARDS AND WINERY

PREVAIL TRIO



Cabernet Sauvignon

LookOut Mountain Ranch 67%, RockRise Ranch 33%
Alexander Valley 67%, Knights Valley 33%,
Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Ferrari-Carano has never created a blend of the three Cabernet Sauvignon blocks that are selected for their PreVail Wines - West Face, Lookout Tree, and Back Forty. "PreVail Trio" is the first wine to represent all three wines in one bottling. These are all hillside vineyard blocks ranging in elevation from 500 to 1200 feet.

Don and Rhonda Carano, natives of Reno, Nevada, and second generation Italian-Americans, founded Ferrari-Carano in 1981. The first wines released were a 1986 Fumé Blanc and a 1985 Alexander Valley Chardonnay. Owned by Bill and Carol Foley since 2020, Ferrari-Carano still produces Fumé Blanc and Chardonnay as well as over 20 other white and red wines. Ferrari-Carano's 21 vineyards and winery have earned California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance (CSWA) certification, becoming a Certified California Sustainable Vineyard for their numerous efforts to preserve the land for future generations while producing memorable, sustainable wines of outstanding quality.

The grapes for "PreVail Trio" were destemmed and berry sorted through an optical sorter, then transferred to stainless steel tanks for five days of cold soaking. Then yeast was added and pump-overs commenced, one to two times daily, for the duration of primary fermentation. The wine was then drained to French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation and cave aging before bottling. Expect flavors of ripe, dried currants, thyme, leather, graham cracker, and spiced plums with plush, velvety tannins and a long finish.

WINEMAKER: Rebecka Deike

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

EKTIMO VINEYARDS

TRANSCENDENT ESTATE CUVÉE

LOT#
29

Pinot Noir

Green Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

Never again will an assemblage of 226,914 grapes squeeze so perfectly into one barrel and create such harmonious timbre as to weave a complex tapestry of sensations that will leave an indelible mark on the select few that will experience its beauty. The "Transcendent Estate Cuvée" encapsulates the essence of uniqueness and selectivity of this singular offering as it transitions from elegant to sublime. This wine is made from grapes 100% grown on the Ektimo Estate in the heart of Green Valley. It is a collaboration of nature, science and art, each balanced to complement the other while expressing the essence of harmonized individuality.

The Xie family are on the leading edge of the growing passion for California wines in China and are on the forefront of introducing a thirsty audience to the magnificence that boutique, family owned California wineries have to offer. They are uniquely positioned to share their passion by bringing a taste of rural Sonoma County to the big city and beyond.

The Ektimo "Transcendent Estate Cuvée" is a smooth and sophisticated Pinot Noir, lithe and luscious, focused and precise. It rewards the more discerning palate with a veritable feast for the senses that will tantalize your taste buds and capture your imagination. It is ever so slightly deeper in color, richer in aroma and more concentrated on the palate. It has notes of Crimson Passion Cherry, pomegranate and Thundercloud Plum flecked with savory notes and supple tannins as smooth as satin sheets that will glide elegantly and linger enticingly.

WINEMAKER: Fernando Candelario

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: November 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: March 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, CO, GA, ID, MN, NV, TN

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
30

MARIMAR ESTATE WINERY

TEMP'RATURE RISING



Tempranillo

Don Miguel Vineyard

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Marimar Estate has been growing and making Tempranillo for 15 years, but this is the first barrel selection from their finest lots to make a special small bottling. The lot name "TEMP'rature Rising" is a play on words with Tempranillo and rising temperatures in wine growing regions. As a company, Marimar Estate strives to do their part to battle climate change. Tempranillo vines are able to cope with rising temperatures, sunburning, and drought conditions, making this variety adaptable for the future.

Marimar Torres is the 2024 Sonoma County Barrel Auction Icon, an honor that recognizes individuals who have had a significant impact on the evolution, development and perpetuation of Sonoma County wine and have helped raise the global perception for the region. The Torres family has been dedicated to wine for five generations. They began producing wine in Penedès in 1870, although their winegrowing roots date back to the 16th century. Originally from Spain, Marimar Torres grew up as a fourth-generation member of the family and moved to San Francisco in 1975. After two years of searching, she acquired land in the Russian River Valley in 1982 and began planting the Don Miguel Vineyard in 1986. A Catalan farmhouse-style winery was built in 1992. Marimar's daughter, Cristina, now works alongside her as General Manager and joined the leadership at Marimar Estate in 2020. This will be the first time in the Torres family that the business will be passed from mother to daughter!

This wine has fantastic balance between fruit and structure, which is the style of wine Marimar aims to make. It is elegant and powerful at the same time. It features aromatics of darker fruit notes, dry leaves, and leather. There is a balance between earth and fruit, fruity and fleshy, while also having very complex spicy and savory flavors. This is a wildly diverse, food-pairing wine.

WINEMAKER: Marimar Torres

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: March 2026

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, FL, GA, ID, LA, MI, NV, NJ, NM, NY, OH, PA, TN, VA, WI

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

MERRIAM VINEYARDS

DOWNEAST OLD WENTE

LOT#
31

Chardonnay

Eastside Estate

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

MERRIAM
VINEYARDS

ABOUT THE WINE:

“Downeast Old Wente” is a block-designated wine from Eastside Estate Vineyard. The grapes from this mono-clone block are hand-picked, pressed and fermented independently to distinguish its unique characteristics from the rest. Winemaker William Weese believes this vintage represents one of the best from the Russian River Valley. The term ‘Downeast’ is traced back to the nautical culture of New England where sailors used the southwestern prevailing winds to sail downwind to the east. Today this term has expanded to refer to much of the Maine coastline and the people who reside there. Peter Merriam, a native of Maine and avid fly fisherman, enjoys spending time along the coast in the summer months fishing for striped bass. “Downeast Old Wente” is Merriam Vineyards’ journey toward the coast, down the Russian River along Eastside Road.

Merriam Vineyards was founded in 2000 by Peter and Diana Merriam. The first wine produced came from a 12-acre vineyard on Limerick Lane that they named Windacre Vineyard after their home in Maine. Today, Merriam Vineyards farms 45 acres across three vineyard sites in the Russian River Valley, producing Bordeaux and Burgundian-style wines.

“Downeast Old Wente” was hand-picked in the early morning and fermentation began with a method known as ‘pied de cuve.’ This distinctive wine was fermented and aged in 100% new Alain Fouquet Montrachet barrels. The soft tannins and tight grain of the French Oak complement the expressive characteristics of Old Wente clone Chardonnay to beautifully accentuate the terroir of this unique block. This 2023 Chardonnay shows notes of apple, pear, caramel, nutmeg and cinnamon spice.

WINEMAKER: William Weese

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: January 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

MA, MS, NH

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
32

WESTWOOD ESTATE WINERY

DOUBLE TROUBLE

WESTWOOD
ANNADEL GAP VINEYARD

Pinot Noir

Annadel Gap Vineyard
Sonoma Valley, Sonoma County
2016
3 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Dedicated to all the Pinot-philes, “Double Trouble” Pinot Noir from Westwood Estates is a celebration of Pinot Noir and its inherent complexity. Westwood’s Sonoma Valley AVA estate, the Annadel Gap Vineyard, is planted with nine diverse Pinot Noir clones that best harness the unique geographic and geologic components of the site. These building blocks allow the team to play with the broad spectrum of Pinot Noir, and to create truly unique, true to terroir wines every year.

This year’s barrel auction lot is comprised of two clones: Dijon 115 and 943. Dijon 115 brings structure, earth and dark berry flavors which are blended with 943’s high-toned blue fruits and violet floral lift. In the hands of skilled Winemaker Ben Cane, “Double Trouble” lives up to its name, creating balance and harmony in this spectacular showing.

WINEMAKER: Ben Cane

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: This special lot from 2017 SoCoBA is being re-released for 2024.

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: Available for immediate shipping post-event.

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

GLORIA FERRER

BRUT NATURE ROSÉ

LOT#
33

Sparkling Wine - Pinot Noir 92%, Chardonnay 8%

Gloria Ferrer Estate Vineyards

Carneros, Sonoma County

2021

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

“Brut Nature Rosé” has been crafted specifically for the Sonoma County Barrel Auction and has no added sugar (the added “nature” in the name indicates no sugar or dosage added), allowing the purity of the fruit to shine through. The Pinot Noir and Chardonnay were sourced from Gloria Ferrer’s estate vineyards in Carneros. The winery partnered with UC Davis to gather and evaluate copious amounts of performance data to meticulously match the ideal clones to their estate. Today, they proudly feature 17 Pinot Noir clones and four Chardonnay clones that thrive in this special growing region.

The team at Gloria Ferrer believes in growing wine while showing respect for every single vine and every individual in their extended family. In 2016, the winery adopted the Code of Sustainable Winegrowing Practices and received certification for the same. Currently they are working toward obtaining organic certification by 2025. They are committed to promoting biodiversity, maintaining soil health, managing water efficiently, using integrated pest management, and conserving energy.

Gloria Ferrer’s sparkling wines are crafted with an intentional style that combines innovation and consistency. Winemaker Kyle Altomare uses creativity, ingenuity, and a gentle approach to showcase the unique Carneros terroir through the Pinot Noir-dominated sparkling wines. This traditional method sparkler shows fresh strawberries, candied ginger, and raspberry tart on the palate with soft mousse and a lingering finish.

WINEMAKER: Kyle Altomare

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: June 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: February 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, VT, VA, WA, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
34

FLOWERS VINEYARDS & WINERY

THREE RIDGELINES

FLOWERS
Vineyards & Winery

Pinot Noir

Fort Ross-Seaview, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

“Three Ridgelines” is a rare trade release of Flowers Pinot Noir sourced from Fort Ross-Seaview, comprised of organically farmed fruit from their iconic Sea View Ridge estate (planted in 1998) as well as lots from multi-generational family growers with whom they have longstanding partnerships. The Fort Ross-Seaview AVA is defined by vineyards dotting the first three ridgelines edging the Pacific Ocean on the far reaches of the Sonoma Coast. These densely forested ridgetops sit at soaring elevations of 900+ feet – above the fog line – allowing for optimal ripening of Pinot Noir at such extreme coastal proximity.

Long-time winemaker Chantal Forthun expresses the wild and rugged character of the coastal vineyards through a light-touch: farming responsibly, harvesting by hand, using 100% native fermentation, and crafting wine with minimal intervention in the cellar. “Three Ridgelines” distills the essence of Fort Ross-Seaview, its ridgetop vineyards combining structure with an edge of wildness. Brambly blackberry aromas are wrapped in deep forest botanicals, complemented by fresh, tart berry flavors and a bright, structured finish.

WINEMAKER: Chantal Forthun

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

FRANCIS FORD COPPOLA WINERY

EMINENCE

LOT#
35

Cabernet Sauvignon

Archimedes Vineyard

Pine Mountain-Cloverdale Peak, Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

"Eminence" reflects the elevated status and distinguished legacy of the Archimedes Vineyard, where the grapes for this wine are sourced from a single block. The name signifies the position of the vineyard, situated at the highest elevation vineyard in Sonoma County, ranging from 2,300 to 2,600 feet above sea level. The connection to Archimedes, the legendary mathematician and inventor, adds a layer of intellectual and historical significance to the name. Like Archimedes, who developed the heat ray to harness the power of the sun, "Eminence" embodies a similar mastery and innovation in winemaking, capturing the essence of being at the pinnacle of quality, and paying homage to the meticulous care and attention put into crafting this unique lot.

In April 2017, the Coppola family purchased a 100-acre parcel in the Pine Mountain-Cloverdale Peak American Viticultural Area which included the Silverwood Vineyard. This ultra-premium Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec producing vineyard contributes to Coppola's highly-acclaimed flagship wine, Archimedes. The Coppolas purchased the property from Silverwood Ranch owners Barry and Jackie Hoffner, pioneers of the distinguished AVA and instrumental growers in the Coppola portfolio for years. A pivotal vineyard to the Archimedes wine, it only made sense to rename the Silverwood Vineyard to Archimedes Vineyard.

"Eminence" was aged for 18+ months in oak to develop a round and sultry expression of the tannins. Dark fruit aromatics with warm cocoa and toasted hazelnuts fill the nose. On the palate the wine shows blackberry bramble, marionberry and dark cherry followed with a toasty, crushed velvet finish.

WINEMAKER: Andrea Card

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: January 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea, Norway, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

LOT#
36

LAUREL GLEN VINEYARD

WHAT'S OLD IS NEW AGAIN



Cabernet Sauvignon

Laurel Glen Vineyard

Sonoma Mountain, Sonoma County

2022

10 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

The wine is from a single block of Laurel Glen's organically farmed estate vineyard named Block 1. The winery has never bottled wines from individual blocks, and so this is truly a "Never Before, Never Again" selection. Block 1 was the first Cabernet Sauvignon ever planted at Laurel Glen Vineyard in 1968. Previous owner Patrick Campbell always considered it his best block. When Bettina Sichel and her partners bought Laurel Glen Vineyard in 2011, Block 1 was not in good shape. They pulled out the block in 2012, left the ground fallow for two years and replanted in 2014 with different spacing, row direction and trellising. Block 1 is now fully back in production and yielding excellent quality fruit. Its back, baby, and better than before!

Laurel Glen Vineyard is 1,000 feet up the slope of Sonoma Mountain, a much cooler location for Cabernet Sauvignon than most. It produces wine somewhere between California and Bordeaux in terms of acidity, ripeness, and balance. Phil Coturri has farmed the vineyard since 2011. Winemaker Randal Watkins has been crafting powerful yet elegant mountain Cabernet Sauvignon for over 25 years.

Block 1, the source of this wine, was the only vineyard block from 2022 fermented with 25% whole clusters, adding an additional layer of fruit and spice to the finished wine. The strikingly seductive, expressive bouquet of "What's Old is New Again" offers kirsch, blackcurrant, raspberry and fresh floral scents. It's suave and silky, with deep but energetic red and dark fruit flavors, baking spices and a terrific mineral lift.

WINEMAKER: Randall Watkins

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: March 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, FL, GA, IL, KY, MD, MA, MI, MO, NJ, NY, NC, PA, RI, UT, Washington, DC

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GARY FARRELL VINEYARDS & WINERY

NEW KID ON THE RIVER BLOCK

LOT#
37

Pinot Noir

Rochioli Vineyard

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

GARY FARRELL
— VINEYARDS & WINERY —

ABOUT THE WINE:

Historically, the New River Block 777 is picked and fermented with all of the Old River Block fruit; however, because of the cool, long growing season that was the 2023 vintage, this section of vines was allowed to ripen for an additional week before harvest and fermentation. The exquisite wine produced was a standout and begged to be given the spotlight, so “New Kid on the River Block” was born. The resulting wine exudes vibrancy, freshness, and a solid core of dark fruit that is buoyed by the earthy richness and structural depth of more mature Old River Block vines, highlighting a true Pinot Noir gem from unique circumstances in a surprising vintage.

The 2023 vintage marked 41 years of the amazing partnership between Gary Farrell Winery and Rochioli Vineyards & Winery. This special selection from the River Block honors this long partnership with the legendary Joe Rochioli, who passed away on August 18, 2022, and his son, Tom Rochioli who manages the vineyard and makes the wines for his own Rochioli label. Gary Farrell Winery continues its collaborative partnerships with top growers and its commitment to wines that capture the unique character of the vineyard.

This gorgeous wine displays radiant aromas of Bing cherry preserves and red rose petals delicately intertwined with savory five spice and wisps of fresh Darjeeling tea. A lush texture carries an intriguingly layered palate of wild dark berries, tangy kumquats, and rich earth accented by a frame of cedar box. The robust flavors are deftly balanced by ample tannins and a mouthwatering acidity into a pleasantly prolonged finish.

WINEMAKER: Theresa Heredia

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: January 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
38

HEAD HIGH WINES

NALU 'ALANI



White Blend

Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

"Nalu 'Alani" translates to "Orange Wave" in Hawaiian. This skin-contact white wine, sometimes referred to as orange wine, is given its slight golden hue as a result of fermentation on the skins, adding to its unique character. "Nalu 'Alani" was inspired by protecting the oceans, a foundational value of Head High Wines.

Founded in 2009 by owner and waterman Bill Price, Head High Wines is the first verified ocean-positive winery. Bill grew up in Hawaii and decided to honor his love of surfing and protecting the planet by creating the first verified Ocean-Positive wine brand, meaning they offset their carbon footprint through various restoration projects such as replanting kelp forests, protecting mangroves and restoring watersheds. "Nalu 'Alani" encapsulates Head High's profound love for the ocean and its connection to their ohana (extended family) back in Hawaii, reflecting their commitment to environmental sustainability and community.

Winemaker Britt Richards is committed to making wine from grape to glass in Sonoma County reflecting a cool, adventurous spirit all while being kind to the earth. Britt's style of winemaking allows the fruit to sing and tell the story of each wine. The color of "Nalu 'Alani" is reminiscent of an orange sunset. It's incredibly aromatic, smelling of bergamot oranges, mandarins and lemon thyme. On the palate, it has tangs of orange peel with a slightly salty finish.

WINEMAKER: Britt Richards

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: April 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, CA, CO, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, KY, LA, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Norway, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

MACROSTIE WINERY, MERRY EDWARDS WINERY

A TALE OF TWO HEIDIS

LOT#
39

Pinot Noir

Thale's Vineyard 50%, Coopersmith Vineyard 50%
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

This collaborative lot brings together two superstar Sonoma County winemakers, Heidi Bridenhagen (MacRostie Winery) and Heidi von der Mehden (Merry Edwards Winery), who both took the reins from pioneering winemakers and are now leading their legendary wineries into the future. Steve MacRostie and Merry Edwards began their longtime friendship while studying enology at UC Davis. Both built their wineries from the ground up, and each put their trust in these women (respectively) to carry their life's work to the next level.



Thale's Vineyard, located on famed Westside Road, is the cornerstone of MacRostie Winery's Pinot Noir program. Coopersmith Vineyard, named for Merry Edwards' life partner and located on Laguna Ridge, is planted to the highly successful UCD 37 Pinot Noir clone, aka Merry's clone.

Heidi von der Mehden focuses on texture when making Pinot Noir. She aims to fine-tune levels of extraction to create a wine that is both powerful and elegant. Heidi Bridenhagen lets each vineyard's grapes dictate what they want to become. Handling 130-plus small fermentations each vintage, she has a broad palette of flavors to work with when blending. "A Tale of Two Heidis" features lively aromatics and a perfumed nose of violets, candy apple and ripe berries. Fresh berries dance across the palate with refreshing tannins balanced by a smooth, creamy texture.

WINEMAKERS: Heidi Bridenhagen (MacRostie Winery),
Heidi von der Mehden (Merry Edwards Winery)

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
40

PEDRONCELLI WINERY, ZIALENA WINERY, SAINI VINEYARDS

LEGACY OF THE VINE



Zinfandel

Bushnell Vineyard 34%, Saini Farms Olive Block 33%,
Mazzoni Vineyard 33%

Dry Creek Valley 67%, Alexander Valley 33%,

Sonoma County

2023

10 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Embark on an unforgettable journey through time and tradition with this exclusive Zinfandel wine lot, a masterful blend crafted by more than four generations of Italian winegrowers in Dry Creek and Alexander Valleys. Rooted in the storied winemaking traditions of the Mazzoni, Saini, and Pedroncelli families, "Legacy of the Vine" weaves a tale of dedication, skill and the enduring legacy of Italian heritage in Sonoma County.

The Saini family have farmed their land in Dry Creek Valley since 1917, creating Saini Vineyards in 2008 through the vision of Co-founders Mike Saini and George Christie. It is currently operated by General Manager, Laura Saini, alongside the family, with winemaker Sébastien Pochan overseeing wine production. Mazzoni Vineyards has been in the family since 1931 and currently operates under the direction of Winemaker/Owner Mark Mazzoni and General Manager Lisa Mazzoni as Zialena Winery. Pedroncelli Winery, supplying the grapes for this blend from Bushnell Vineyard, was founded in 1927, with Winemaker Montse Reece and President Julie Pedroncelli St. John now at the helm.

Both Dry Creek Valley and Alexander Valley Zinfandels showcase the unique terroir of their respective regions, offering wine enthusiasts a diverse range of expressions of this quintessentially Californian varietal. This three-vineyard designate wine will culminate in an fusion of blackberry, dark cherry, hints of cedar, and vanilla, with a full bodied texture and high notes of peppers and clove. Balanced acidity and smooth tannins will create an elegant and food friendly wine.

This lot is dedicated to George Christie, Founder and CEO of Wine Industry Network, who will be honored as the 2024 SoCoBA Innovator during the auction events.

WINEMAKERS: Montse Reece (Pedroncelli Winery),
Mark Mazzoni (Zialena Winery),
Sébastien Pochan (Saini Vineyards)

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, ID, IL, IA, KS, KY, LA, MD, MA,
MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR,
PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan; please inquire for additional countries.

PATZ & HALL

GREEN VALLEY DREAMS

LOT#
41

Chardonnay

Estate Vineyard

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

10 CASES



PATZ & HALL

ABOUT THE WINE:

This lot is composed of 100% Chardonnay from a single barrel from the Patz & Hall Green Valley Estate. The wine contains eight clones of Chardonnay, planted in a Massal Selection to increase aromatic complexity and texture. The clones include Hyde Wente, Hyde Calera, Dijon 124, Hyde Long 114, Hyde Long 115, Sterling Musqué, Dijon 76 and Mt. Eden. This wine was aged sixteen months sur-lie in a Taransaud Pure "T" barrel and hand bottled, unfiltered, directly from the barrel.

Founding Winemaker James Hall and Winemaker James McCeney crafted this "Green Valley Dreams" Chardonnay from the 14-acre Patz & Hall Estate Vineyard in Green Valley, in the heart of Russian River Valley. This exquisitely positioned vineyard sits on the crown of a hill on Green Valley Road, just north of Sebastopol. As Patz & Hall's first estate vineyard, it is the realization of a dream - a "Green Valley Dream." This cool-climate Chardonnay offers aromas of spiced pear, brioche, and green apple. Refreshing acidity keeps the broad, creamy texture in check, finishing with a gush of juicy citrus fruit.

Since its founding in 1988, Patz & Hall has made some of the New World's most stirring and sought-after single-vineyard Chardonnays and Pinot Noirs - wines that have become benchmarks for their intensity, elegance, and complexity.

WINEMAKERS: James Hall, James McCeney

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: January 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: September 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
42

MARTINELLI VINEYARDS & WINERY

ODE TO TONY BONDI



Pinot Noir

Bondi Home Ranch 50%, Zio Tony Ranch 50%
Green Valley 50%, Russian River Valley 50%,
Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Lee Martinelli Sr. inherited the Bondi Home Ranch and Zio Tony Ranch from his Uncle Tony Bondi in the 1970s. He converted the apple orchards on the ranches to wine grapes in the late 1990s and early 2000s. Martinelli makes a single vineyard designate bottling from both of these Pinot Noir vineyards but have blended a barrel of each together for the first time ever, exclusively for the 2024 Sonoma County Barrel Auction.

The Martinelli family are fifth-generation winegrowers in Sonoma County, farming over 475 acres of estate vineyards throughout the Russian River Valley and Fort Ross-Seaview American Viticultural Areas. Lee Martinelli Sr. and his two sons, Lee Jr. and George, farm their vineyards throughout Sonoma County. They sell 85% of the fruit they grow, while keeping the rest for their Martinelli family's label.

Winemaker Courtney Robinett Wagoner uses minimal intervention in the winery to allow the wine to show a sense of place. "Bondi & Zio Tony" is an exuberant wine with bright acid, notes of orange peel, ripe red fruits, and spice with subtle earthy undertones.

WINEMAKER: Courtney Robinett Wagoner

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: January 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IL, KS, MD, MA, MI, NV, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, PA, RI, SC, TN, TX, VA, WI, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

MASCARIN FAMILY WINES

BLUE MOON

LOT#
43

Cabernet Sauvignon

Moon Mountain District, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

MASCARIN

ABOUT THE WINE:

Introducing the extraordinary “Blue Moon” Cabernet Sauvignon from Mascarin Family Wines, brought to you from the family behind 32 Winds. Late in the 2023 harvest season, the Mascarin team were given an incredible opportunity to obtain a limited quantity of fruit from the sections of a family-owned vineyard at the top of Moon Mountain with heritage Cabernet Sauvignon vines planted on a steep south-facing slope. The convergence of unique circumstances and a perfectly timed phone call made this wine possible, so it had to be called “Blue Moon” Cabernet Sauvignon.

This “never before, never again” wine is a testament to exceptional fruit and passionate, dedicated winemaking. Winemaker Matt Taylor’s approach is characterized by an attentive and responsible relationship with the land, intertwined with innovative viticulture practices, and old-world winemaking traditions. This sensitivity to the environment ensures that the wines reflect not only the fruit they source but also the distinct qualities of each vintage. Expect bold, yet refined flavors from “Blue Moon” Cabernet Sauvignon including freshly picked cherry and bacon fat interwoven with earthy minerality and a hint of thyme. This wine is light on pyrazines, and will showcase more of a bright, vibrant fruit profile and acidity.

Mascarin Family Wines was born from the passion and heritage of owner Ed Mascarin, whose journey brought him full circle back to the world of wine and the vineyards of his upbringing. Hailing from a farming community in Central California, Ed, the third generation of vineyard managers in his Italian family, and his daughter Mia, have transformed their vision into the production of exceptional wines in Sonoma County. The Mascarin family’s narrative unfolds to the present day, where the dedication to producing wines in balance with nature guarantees a legacy of world-class wines for generations to come.

WINEMAKER: Matt Taylor

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, CO, MS, NV, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan; please inquire for additional countries.

An account visit is offered as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
44

PEAY VINEYARDS, ALMA FRIA

WEST SONOMA COAST VINTNERS: ANNAPOLIS



Pinot Noir

Holtermann Vineyard 50%, Peay Estate 50%
West Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County
2017
4 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Peay Vineyards, Red Car Wine Company, Failla Wines, Freeman Vineyard & Winery, Littorai Wines and Joseph Phelps Vineyard started the West Sonoma Coast Vintners (WCSV) over a decade ago, to explore the dramatic coastal landscape and to bring attention to the distinguished wines and exciting viticultural possibilities of this distinctive appellation. This “West Sonoma Coast Vintners: Annapolis” lot is a one-time-only collaboration offering a never before, never again wine that celebrates their commitment to creating the finest wines from a truly remarkable region.

The partnership of Alma Fria and Peay Vineyards brings together two wineries from the extreme reaches of the Sonoma Coast. Sourced from high-elevation sites within the Annapolis region of the West Sonoma Coast AVA, with its highly eroded soils and daily fog cover, this wine is the absolute essence of Pinot Noir. Despite its hardscrabble upbringing, the finished wine could be described as feminine—its softer silhouette is highlighted by fine acidity, livewire purity and complex aromatics of orange zest, wintergreen and pomegranate. On the palate the wine exhibits crunchy red fruits and tart berries. Collectors can expect 10 or more years of ageability from this truly extraordinary expression of coastal Pinot Noir.

WINEMAKERS: Vanessa Wong (Peay Vineyards),
Carroll Kemp (Alma Fria)

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: This special lot from 2018 SoCoBA is being re-released for 2024.

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: Available for immediate shipping post-event.

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

MAURITSON WINES

1868

LOT#
45

Cabernet Sauvignon 97%, Merlot 3%

Campground Vineyard
Rockpile, Sonoma County
2023
10 CASES



MAURITSON
Since 1868

ABOUT THE WINE:

The “1868” barrel auction lot pays homage to the Mauritsen family history in the Rockpile region, as the family has farmed this property contiguously since they homesteaded it in 1868. Mauritsen Wines has never before bottled a Cabernet Sauvignon from the Campground block in their Rockpile Ridge Vineyard. This micro block is planted to a heritage clone of Cabernet Sauvignon, often referred to as the See’s clone. This clone thrives in the shallow, rocky soils that define the Rockpile appellation, producing standalone Cabernets that have incredible depth and detail.

Rockpile is a unique American Viticultural Area (AVA) in Sonoma County. It is one of the only AVAs to have an elevation requirement (800ft and over), it is surrounded by water on three sides (Lake Sonoma), it only has (approximately) 225 acres of vineyards. It has a very moderate climate due to the presence of Lake Sonoma and the proximity to the coast, it has a much smaller diurnal shift than some other growing regions, and it does not have any fog during the growing season due to the inversion layer created by the lake.

The Campground vineyard is planted right over the top of an active earthquake fault. There is little to no topsoil, resulting in very little water retention. The lack of water combined with the unique clonal selection create extremely small berries. The resulting wines are ultra concentrated and have incredible structure. This micro block was fermented separately, contributing to “1868” becoming a big, rich wine that will age with incredible grace.

WINEMAKER: Emma Kudritzki Hall

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: June 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: November 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, IL, IN, LA, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, NV, NJ, NY, NC, OH, OR, PA, RI, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

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LOT#
46

NOTTINGHAM CELLARS

EMBRACE THE FRANC



Cabernet Franc

Nuns Canyon Vineyard 55%, Glen Oaks Vineyard 45%
Moon Mountain District 55%, Sonoma Valley 45%,
Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

The 2023 vintage was the winery's first year working with a handful of Cabernet Franc growers throughout Sonoma County. One site in particular, Nuns Canyon Vineyard in Moon Mountain, truly shined. It sits on a west-facing hillside at about 1400 feet above sea level in iron rich, volcanic soils giving the wine tension and intensity. Just a few miles south as the bird flies, or about a 30 minute drive down the mountain and Highway 12, Glen Oaks Vineyard is another west facing hillside along the bench of the Mayacamas. This warmer pocket of Sonoma Valley produces wines that are rich, dense and mouth filling.

Nottingham Cellars was established in 2009 and started producing single vineyard Cabernet Franc in 2012. By 2021 they had built a new production facility and completely migrated their business and families to be closer to vineyard sources. They are committed to the growth and success of Sonoma County and are thrilled to be part of the community.

This is classic Cabernet Franc with perfumed red and blue fruits, violets and a trace of herbal undertones. "Embrace the Franc" is a rich, well-structured wine that will drink great in its youth but has the tools to age gracefully.

WINEMAKER: Craig Ploof

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: March 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, TX, VA, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan; please inquire for additional countries.

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FORT ROSS VINEYARD

TERRACES ABOVE THE FOG

LOT#
47

Pinot Noir

Fort Ross Vineyard

Fort Ross-Seaview, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

FORT ROSS
VINEYARD & WINERY

ABOUT THE WINE:

“Terraces Above the Fog” is made from the Winemaker Jeff Pisoni’s favorite barrel of wine from his favorite vineyard block, planted 100% to Calera Clone Pinot Noir. This block, called the Terraces, wraps around the mountainside and produces elegant, complex wines every vintage. Owner Lester Schwartz thought that he could carve the Terraces out of the hillside himself but soon realized it was far too treacherous and brought in a professional. He and Linda were tireless in the creation of Fort Ross Vineyard and did much of the work themselves.

Inspired by the majesty of the wild Sonoma Coast, owners Linda and Lester Schwartz founded Fort Ross Vineyard in 1994 when they began preparing grassland at the top of the steep, rugged coastal ridge to plant to grape vines. The picturesque, 52-acre single vineyard is a necklace of 32 small mountain blocks that range in elevation from 1,200 to 1,700 feet overlooking the Pacific Ocean which lies just a mile to the west. Linda and Lester strive to masterfully craft profound wines of purity and elegance that reflect the challenges of this extreme site and the cool maritime climate.

Fort Ross Vineyard’s production is limited to 5,000 cases annually as they only use their family estate grown Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinotage grapes. The fruit that flourishes in this rugged atmosphere resulting in unforgettable wines. “Terraces Above the Fog” is a pure expression of a single clone, in which expansive aromatics of red currant, raspberry, black tea and violets unfold with complexity. The fruit-driven palate reveals a graceful core of ripe cherry, black currant, wild berry and just a touch of tart juicy plum followed by a persistent lush finish. With its lively acidity and balanced structure, this charming Pinot Noir is going to be a beauty.

WINEMAKER: Jeff Pisoni

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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LOT#
48

RIDGE VINEYARDS

HISTORIC ZINFANDEL VINEYARDS



**Zinfandel 67%, Petite Sirah 15%,
Carignane 15%, Mataro 2%, Alicante Bouschet 1%**
Lytton Springs 50%, Geyserville 50%
Alexander Valley 50%, Dry Creek Valley 50%,
Sonoma County
2023
10 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

“Historic Zinfandel Vineyards” celebrates the first and only time two iconic Ridge vineyards - Lytton Springs and Geyserville - have been assembled. Both are historical vineyards sites, with some blocks dating back to the 19th century. The winery’s first Geyserville wine was made in 1966 and the first Lytton Springs came next in 1972. Throughout Ridge history, these two wines have held their own space. Never before, and never again, shall this combination be available to the public. When these two vineyards are blended, it creates a wine with tremendous depth and layers of flavor, showcasing the unique attributes of both historic sites.

Lytton Springs is home to 100-plus-year-old Zinfandel vines and a prime example of Ridge’s commitment to championing heritage varietals, meaning grape varieties planted more than a century ago and surviving in numerous locations. Geyserville vineyard is home to the Old Patch, a section of the vineyard contains vines that are more than 130 years of age. Old vines contribute an intensity and complexity of flavor to the wine that cannot be replicated by any other method. Ridge takes a natural approach to winemaking to ensure the true expression of these extraordinary old vine characteristics. They do not use chemical treatments, membrane filtration, or sterilization, as these techniques can strip color, flavor, and texture from the wine. Rather, they adopt a non-industrial approach to winemaking, including using only natural yeast fermentation, to make certain that intensity, complexity, and character are retained.

WINEMAKER: Shauna Rosenblum

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: March 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: July 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Norway, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

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RIVER ROAD FAMILY VINEYARDS AND WINERY

STEPHANIE'S SELECT

LOT#
49

Pinot Noir

River Road Vineyard

Green Valley, Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

"Stephanie's Select" is a special lot selection hand-picked by Winemaker Ed Morris during the 2023 harvest. The wine is named for the daughter of the original family who planted the Pinot Noir in River Road Vineyard. This estate vineyard was planted 24 years ago, and is still managed by the same vineyard manager who also planted the vines, Alvaro Zamora.

Located in the coolest appellation in Sonoma County, the Green Valley of the Russian River Valley, the vineyard sits on 100% Goldridge Soil, which promotes stress on the vines, leading to concentrated flavors in the berries.

Winemaker Ed Morris takes a unique approach, based on his experience having a coopering background, as he chooses the relationship between the oak and wine. Expect flavors of cherry and raspberry, with hints of an earthiness and spice, which adds to the complexity of the wine. The vineyard's cooler climate preserves the natural acidity of the grapes, which delivers a well-balanced and elegant Pinot Noir.

WINEMAKER: Ed Morris

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, NV, NJ, NM, NY, NC, SC, TX, VA, WA, WI, Washington, DC

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
50

ROCHIOLI VINEYARDS AND WINERY, BACIGALUPI VINEYARDS, RAMEY WINE CELLARS

HEIRLOOM

ROCHIOLI
VINEYARDS & WINERY

Bacigalupi



Pinot Noir

Rochioli Vineyards and Winery 34%, Bacigalupi Vineyards 33%, Ramey Wine Cellars 33%
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2022

10 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

The collaborative barrel auction lot “Heirloom” from Rochioli Vineyards and Winery, Bacigalupi Vineyards and Ramey Wine Cellars is the first collaboration of Pinot Noir with these legendary families, a rare creation that will never be replicated. With over a century of grape growing and wine making experience and generational knowledge, these winemaking teams have created a wine blended from exceptional Russian River Vineyards, all estate owned by their families. “Heirloom” represents something that holds sentimental and historical value, connecting generations and preserving family heritage.

All three wineries - Bacigalupi, Rochioli and Ramey - are a distinguished group of pioneering American vintners who revolutionized modern-day winemaking and elevated California to the forefront of the international wine community. Joe Rochioli helped Charles and Helen Bacigalupi bud over their first vineyards in 1964 to Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. David Ramey made wine from the Bacigalupi Chardonnay at Rudd Winery in the late 1990s when he was winemaker there and worked closely with Helen and Charles Bacigalupi when purchasing fruit. These winery families have a deep commitment to keeping their multi-generational businesses running and maintaining their excellent reputations in the industry.

The winning bidder can expect a terroir-driven wine built on a foundation of superb fruit. A true representation of the Middle Reach of Russian River Valley, this wine starts with aromas of crushed violets and roses with cherry notes and deep cassis. The palate is filled with bright fruit tones of red plum, Bing cherry, and brambly raspberries. The palate has good weight with some gentle but balanced tannins and finishes with great acidity.

WINEMAKERS: Tom Rochioli (Rochioli Vineyards and Winery), Ashley Herzberg (Bacigalupi Vineyards), Cameron Frey (Ramey Wine Cellars)

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: February 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Norway, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

JOSEPH SWAN VINEYARDS

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY ROCKS AND SAND
(ROCKSAND!)

LOT#
51

Syrah

Trenton Estate 50%, Great Oak 50%
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County
2015
9 CASES



Joseph Swan Vineyards

ABOUT THE WINE:

Located in the heart of the famed Russian River Valley, often proclaimed ground zero for great Pinot Noir, Joseph Swan Vineyards embraces the artisanal spirit that defines this amazing growing region. For this unforgettable lot, Winemaker Rod Berglund combined fruit from two vineyards only a short distance apart. Same grape, same clone, same tight spacing, same farming, same winemaker... yet light years apart in character. One is deep, wild and gamey like the wines of Cornas in the northern Rhône, the other resembles Côte Rôtie.

The difference must be the soil. One is on fractured rocks from the Franciscan Melange, deposited some 80-100 million years ago. The other is planted on fine grained sandy Goldridge that the Wilson Grove Sea left behind about three to five million years ago. Both vineyards have always been bottled separately but in this wine, rocks meet sand in a beautiful, unique blend for the first time ever.

WINEMAKER: Rod Berglund

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: This special lot from 2017 SoCoBA is being re-released for 2024.

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: Available for immediate shipping post-event.

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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LOT#
52

RODNEY STRONG VINEYARDS

KNIGHTS DELIGHT



**RODNEY
STRONG**

Cabernet Sauvignon 87%, Malbec 13%

Knights Valley 87%, Northern Sonoma 13%,
Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

"Knights Delight" highlights fruit for this very special barrel lot coming from the Knights Valley American Viticultural Area. The 2022 vintage in Sonoma County was superb for Bordeaux varietals. After early summer heatwaves that led to strong canopy development, they enjoyed consistent, dry weather with perfect 85-90 degree temperatures throughout the fruit maturation period. These two low yielding vineyards provide limited, highly allocated grapes each year. The ideal growing conditions of the 2022 vintage provided just a little extra bounty to give their winemaker some room to play. While still within the bounds of a classic Cabernet Sauvignon dominant Bordeaux-style blend, this wine results from a slightly atypical choice of sites and minimalist blending philosophy - marrying the beauty (cool climate Cooley Ranch Malbec) with the beast (warm climate Bavarian Lion Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon).

This is both a vintner's wine, emphasizing the art of the blend, and a vigneron's wine, offering an expression of two distinctly different terroirs within Sonoma County. Optical sorting of the grapes upon receipt ensures purity of fruit character, and extended thermal maceration caramelizes the tannins for a well-structured yet velvety soft mouthfeel.

Expect cassis with briary blackberry and blue fruit, supported by complex undertones of sassafras, cherry cola, and rich milk chocolate. Subtle vanilla and baking spice notes with fine grained tannins derive from aging in new French Oak barrels. The wine has ample structure for aging 10-15 years, but the juicy, plush Malbec component brings youthful approachability, particularly with a recommended one or two hour decant.

WINEMAKERS: Justin Seidenfeld, Olivia Wright

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: December 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: May 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

ROMBAUER VINEYARDS

HOMAGE TO HOME

LOT#
53

Chardonnay

Home Ranch

Carneros, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

The Sangiacomo family has farmed the Carneros region for generations. The fruit for “Home Ranch” comes from Home 82, the oldest block at the Sangiacomo family’s original homestead located on the Sonoma County side of the cool, windy Carneros region. This single vineyard designate showcases the distinct character of the vineyard. Planted in 1982, these old vines have small yields of exceptionally dense grapes.

“Home Ranch” was whole-cluster pressed and cold settled overnight. The wine was then racked into 500L French oak puncheons for primary and secondary fermentation. Stirring, or bâtonnage, of the barrels occurred weekly for a creamy, plush texture. This special wine was then aged in a single, new 300-liter cigar French oak barrel.

Expect ripe yellow peach and pie crust intertwining with honeysuckle on the nose and palate which, blend seamlessly with subtle oak. An exceptionally rich mid palate gives way to a long finish with more candied flavors, spiciness and richness of oak.

WINEMAKER: Richie Allen

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: June 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

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LOT#
54

WILLIAMS SELYEM WINERY

20-1-20



Pinot Noir

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

20 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

It was not an easy task to make 20 exclusive cases of one wine from 20 different vineyards but it was well worth the effort. Williams Selyem sources amazing grapes from Russian River Valley vineyards that comprise their vineyard designate wines as well as their appellation wines. This year's special barrel auction lot represents an equal part blend of all 20 of their Russian River Valley vineyards. This "20-1-20" wine pays tribute to the origins of the winery and showcases the beauty and diversity of sites in the Russian River Valley.

Williams Selyem is synonymous with the Russian River Valley in Sonoma County. Burt Williams and Ed Selyem started on a mission in the late 1970s to produce distinctive, hand-crafted wines with a sense of place. They sourced fruit from outstanding vineyards and growers in the Russian River Valley from renowned sites such as the Allen and Rochioli Vineyards. Through thoughtful winemaking and a focus on quality, Burt and Ed helped bring notoriety to the young appellation at that time. The soul of Williams Selyem certainly lies in the Russian River Valley with the winery being located on the historic Westside Road.

WINEMAKER: Jeff Mangahas

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: January 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, KY, ME, MA, MI, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NY, NC, OK, OR, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WI, WY, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Japan, Korea, Norway; please inquire for additional countries.

SOJOURN CELLARS

NUDE ON THE LEFT BANK

LOT#
55

Cabernet Sauvignon

Desnudo Vineyard

Sonoma Valley, Sonoma County

2022

10 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

Let's get down to the "bare" facts... Desnudo Vineyard (which translates to 'nude' in Spanish) is located on the southern end of the Mayacamas Mountains, and in the 1940s it was a nudist colony known as Sun-o-ma. The nudist ranch, in its heyday, drew hundreds of visitors to the remote ranch accessible only through a road on the Bartholomew Park estate. The compound once had cabins, a swimming pool, saloon and general store where 'au natural' visitors would gather to enjoy the sweet Sonoma Valley sunshine. The original vineyard was planted in the early 1990s under the direction of Gundlach Bundschu Winery. This lot was named "Nude on the Left Bank" since it is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot from Desnudo Vineyard and made in a style reminiscent of the wines of the Médoc in the Left Bank wine region of Bordeaux.

Sojourn produces its Cabernet Sauvignon wines in a Burgundian style, meaning fermenting in open top tanks, minimal nutrients, lower temperatures, with gentle punch downs and just a few pump overs. The resulting Sojourn wines are nuanced and elegant, with layers of flavors and texture. For this blend, Winemakers Randy Bennett and Eric Bradley focused on showcasing the expressive red fruit flavors of the Merlot with the darker fruit, herbal notes, and earthiness of the two distinctive mountain Cabernet Sauvignon blocks.

"Nude on the Left Bank" is medium red to garnet in color. Aromas of black cherry and currant explode from the glass, followed by notes of vanilla, dry herbs, tobacco leaf and toasty oak. On the palate it is medium to full bodied with a smooth mouthfeel and a lively, savory edge. It is incredibly well balanced with its silky tannins and acidity.

WINEMAKERS: Randy Bennett, Eric Bradley

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: June 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, AZ, CA, CO, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, MA, MO, NV, NC, OH, OK, SC, TX, VA, WI

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
56

SAINTSBURY WINERY

IN THE GARDEN



Pinot Noir

Pratt Vineyard 20%, Sundawg Ridge Vineyard 20%,
Roberts Road Vineyard 20%, Griffin's Lair 20%,
Van der Kamp Vineyard 20%

Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

The Saintsbury Garden is the heart of the Carneros winery, where visitors come to taste and Saints gather and break bread throughout the changing seasons. Planted in the mid-1980s by renowned Landscape Designer Michael Bates of Sonoma Mountain and Co-Founder Richard Ward, the garden is at its absolute peak in the spring: in full bloom and teeming with life, rich with wild smells and the bliss and promise of the vintage ahead. "In the Garden" strives to encapsulate this feeling, a wine that feels abundant and vibrant and at once carefree. Sourced from more than five of their single vineyard Sonoma Coast sites, fermented and aged as distinct expressions, and blended over the course of months of tasting and trial, this unique lot will never be replicated.

From Jim Pratt's Sebastopol Hills Vineyard to the Sangiacomo Family's Roberts Road Vineyard in the Petaluma Gap, all of the Sonoma Coast sites Saintsbury utilized for this blend represent decades of relationships and an understanding of the diversity of Sonoma Pinot Noir. From the Goldridge Soil series of the Russian River's Green Valley to the exposure of Griffin's Lair in the southern Petaluma Gap, each of these vineyards contributes a critical element to the blend.

"In the Garden" is a celebration of the diversity of Pinot Noir sites of the Sonoma Coast. Vibrant, exuberant, and layered with juicy red fruit, citrus and bergamot-like tea aromatics, with a backbone of silky tannin and gentle spice. This wine is bursting with the aromas of the Saintsbury Garden at peak season: dewy florals, warm loam, and sun-drenched leaves freshened by the Carneros breeze.

WINEMAKERS: Tim Colla, Alastair Smith, Alejandro Torres, Jaime Torres

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: August 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: January 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

CA, CO, CT, FL, IL, LA, MD, NV, NJ, NC, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan; please inquire for additional countries.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

MARTIN RAY VINEYARDS & WINERY

RETURN TO EDEN: TOWER BLOCK

LOT#
57

Pinot Noir

Martin Ray Estate Vineyard, Tower Block
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County
2017
4 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

This special bottling of their Tower Block has as much historical significance for California winemaking as it does to the continuance of the Martin Ray winemaking philosophy. Winemaker Lindsey Haughton has chosen this barrel as an example of Russian River Pinot Noir at it is ultimate expression, and this first-ever offering marks Martin Ray's dedication to the artistry of creating unique wines of distinction and character.

A small two-acre vineyard, this unique site is comprised entirely of the Heritage Clone 37, which was brought back from France in the 1930s by Martin Ray himself. As a pioneer producer in the Santa Cruz Mountains, Ray eventually established his own estate, planting Clone 37 to what is now known as Mount Eden Vineyards. This offering marks the Martin Ray Proprietor Courtney Benham's dedication to the artistry of creating wines of distinction and character – a tradition built on the foundation of excellence put forth by Martin Ray under his namesake label from 1943 to 1972.

WINEMAKER: Lindsey Haughton

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: This special lot from 2018 SoCoBA is being re-released for 2024.

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: Available for immediate shipping post-event.

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Please inquire for more information.

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
58

THE DONUM ESTATE

BLACK SWAN

DONUM.

Pinot Noir

Carneros, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

Selected from a block of Swan-clone Pinot Noir that used an experimental form of fungal control, in which no toxins are used to control mildew and botrytis, the vines were sprayed with beneficial fungi that outcompete the damaging mildew and botrytis. By avoiding fungicide, the grapevine's natural flora remains intact, resulting in a native fermentation with amazing complexity and intrigue. "Black Swan" is from a single block of the Donum vineyard in Carneros and has never been bottled on its own.

At the Donum Estate, their pursuit of excellence and ensuring quality in all that they do begins with stewardship of the land. They believe that in order for the vines to yield a true expression of the land, it is critical to start with healthy, living soils. They are committed to regenerative organic farming practices and products that respect the soil, the many organisms that call their vineyard home and the surrounding land. Donum has achieved organic certification of their four estate vineyards by the California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) organization and Regenerative Organic Certified® by the Regenerative Organic Alliance (ROA).

The Donum winemaking and vineyard team's ability to work with nature, not against it, has created an environment at Donum where the vines thrive and produce the highest-quality fruit possible—with as little intervention as possible—resulting in some of the region's most unique, terroir-expressive wines. Expect earthy, savory, complex, and dark fruit flavors from this one-of-a-kind "Black Swan."

WINEMAKER: Dan Fishman

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: February 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, IL, KY, MD, MN, NV, NY, PA, SC, TN, TX, WA, WI, Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes Japan, Korea; please inquire for additional countries.

THOMPSON 31FIFTY WINES

3 BLOCK CHARDONNAY

LOT#
59

Chardonnay

Sister Sophie's Estate Vineyard 34%,
Lolita Ranch Vineyard 33%, Bacigalupi Vineyard 33%
Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2022

5 CASES



ABOUT THE WINE:

This "3 Block Chardonnay" is a one-of-a-kind blend and hails from three single vineyard sources: Vineyard Block 1 from the Thompson 31Fifty Sister Sophie's Estate, planted to a Montrachet clone; Vineyard Block 2 from a block at the Bacigalupi vineyard selected by Winemaker Patrick Sullivan; and Vineyard Block 3 from the Martinelli Lolita Ranch selected by Martinelli Winery owner and Vineyard Manager Lee Martinelli, Jr.

Thompson 31Fifty Wines is a boutique producer of small batch hand crafted wines. Founders Mike and Valerie Thompson are from the Brazos Valley of Texas and came to the Russian River Valley 11 years ago with a mission to create special wines with a focus on Russian River Valley Rosé, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Their vision to use this venture to support children's charities around the USA has provided support for thousands of children in need. Their estate vineyards were planted by the late Ulises Valdez, Sr. and now managed by Lee Martinelli, Jr. Winemaker Patrick Sullivan has been at the helm from the very start.

Winemaker Patrick Sullivan brings 30 years of education winemaking experience with Chardonnay. He has worked with some of the most highly acclaimed wineries producing Russian River Valley Chardonnay and personal experience with these three vineyard blocks. This Chardonnay is rich and full bodied and displays flavors of ripe apple, pear and citrus. It's complimented by a balanced acidity and hints of vanilla reflecting the influence of oak barrel aging. The climate of the region contributes to the wine's vibrant acidity.

WINEMAKER: Patrick Sullivan

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: April 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: December 2024

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

AL, CA, FL, GA, IL, LA, TN, TX

A winemaker dinner or store visit is offered in your market as part of this lot. Must be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

LOT#
60

GARY FARRELL VINEYARDS & WINERY, THREE STICKS WINES

CLONE ALONE

GARY FARRELL
VINEYARDS & WINERY



THREE STICKS

Pinot Noir

Gap's Crown Vineyard
Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County
2023
5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

"Clone Alone" packs a double one-two punch: Made from one Grand Cru vineyard with one exceptional clone all alone from two meticulously tended vineyard blocks by two visionary winemakers. Situated at the zenith of the Petaluma Gap, Gap's Crown Vineyard has ascended to prominence as one of the preeminent Pinot Noir vineyards of California. In an exciting collaboration, Theresa Heredia, Director of Winemaking at Gary Farrell and Ryan Prichard, Director of Winemaking at Three Sticks Wines, have joined forces to craft an auction lot from the storied vines of this epic property. This duo has artfully selected clone 667 from vineyard block 7 and 3, respectively, blending the distinctive characteristics of these vineyard blocks to create a wine that embodies the essence of Gap's Crown.

In 2005, following the establishment of Three Sticks Wines, Bill Price III further enriched his Sonoma County Pinot Noir portfolio with the esteemed Gary Farrell Winery. Additionally, he augmented this collection by adding the iconic and prolific Gap's Crown Vineyard, marking a strategic and significant expansion of his vineyard holdings in the region.

The site expression of Gap's Crown stands out in both components, showcasing dark blue fruit profile, richly layered tannins with a juicy, mouthwatering verve. This unique offering reflects the combined expertise of two exceptional winemakers and the unparalleled terroir of this esteemed vineyard, promising a vinous masterpiece that captures the very soul of California's Grand Cru Pinot Noir heritage.

WINEMAKERS: Theresa Heredia (Gary Farrell Winery),
Ryan Prichard (Three Sticks Wines)

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: January 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: September 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes all 50 states and Washington, DC

INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

Includes England, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Norway, Scotland, Wales; please inquire for additional countries.

TWOMEY

ALL ABOARD

LOT#
61

Pinot Noir

Last Stop Vineyard

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

2023

10 CASES

TWOMEY

ABOUT THE WINE:

Sourced from the illustrious Last Stop estate, nestled in the heart of Green Valley, “All Aboard” is a tribute to the timeless allure of the Russian River Valley. Last Stop is a Twomey estate vineyard in the Russian River Valley named for the vineyard’s location, it was the last stop on a former rail line that ran from San Francisco to Forestville in the early 1900s. The backbone of this wine is Pinot Noir clone 95—a storied suitcase selection from Burgundy’s Clos Vougeot originally imported by beloved Pinot Noir vintner Dick Erath—that the Duncan family was first to have planted in California. With only five cases produced, this Pinot Noir is as rare as it is refined. Each bottle encapsulates the essence of a vineyard where the journey of the fruit ends, but the story of this wine begins.

Founded in 1999 by the Duncan Family of Silver Oak, Twomey combines experience and a sense of curiosity with the exploration of expressive vineyards for its wines—made to be savored with family and friends. Twomey pursues and sustainably farms vineyard sites that reveal a delicate balance between place and the classic characteristics of their respective growing regions.

“All Aboard” is a celebration of the meticulous techniques passed down through generations, ensuring that every sip offers a complex narrative of the region’s rich viticultural heritage. The wine exudes a delicate balance of aromas, from ripe cherries to subtle hints of earth and spice, with a broad, dense mid-palate, culminating in a finish as profound as the history it represents.

WINEMAKER: Justin Hirigoyen

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: December 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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LOT#
62

WALT WINES

1,000 MILES OF PINOT



Pinot Noir

Bob's Ranch Estate Vineyard
Sonoma Coast, Sonoma County

2023

5 CASES

ABOUT THE WINE:

WALT Estate Vineyard, Bob's Ranch, lies alongside the region known as the Petaluma Wind Gap. This area is known for cooler temperatures due to the connection of fog and wind funneling along a pathway from the Pacific Ocean through the Bodega Bay and to the San Francisco Bay. Bob's Ranch Estate is defined by diverse aspects along gently rolling hills and is planted with seventeen distinct clones and heritage selections of Pinot Noir.

To produce the 2023 Bob's Ranch "1,000 Miles of Pinot", the winemakers began their work in the vineyard, carefully selecting individual blocks of fruit that highlight an expressive, powerful style of Pinot Noir. Typically, the clusters in these blocks showcase millerandage, where tiny berries form alongside larger berries. The small berries provide purity of flavor and concentration, while the large berries in the clusters form the finesse of freshness and acidity. Additional vinification of whole cluster, in both stainless steel and concrete tanks, enhances these characteristics. The result is a concentrated and focused Pinot Noir with profound fruit, savory texture, and vivid structure which will offer pleasure on release while also allowing for careful cellaring for years to come.

WALT is an independent family-owned winery founded by Craig Hall and Kathryn Walt Hall. WALT honors Kathryn's parents, Bob and Dolores Walt, who were grape growers in Mendocino since 1972 and nurtured Kathryn's passion for vineyards, wine, and land stewardship. Today, WALT specializes in 1,000 Miles of Pinot Noir, sourcing fruit from four estate vineyards and meticulous grower partners from Oregon to Santa Barbara along the Pacific Coast.

WINEMAKERS: Megan Gunderson, Alison Frichtl

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: July 2024

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: April 2025

NATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION:

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SILVER OAK

LEGACY

LOT#
63

Cabernet Sauvignon

Alexander Valley, Sonoma County

2022

20 CASES

SILVER OAK

ABOUT THE WINE:

In the world of fine wines, true gems are fleeting like a captured, single moment in time. “Legacy” is an unparalleled embodiment of such rarity—a 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon from esteemed terroir of the Alexander Valley. A testament to the craft of winemaking, this wine is not merely a bottle but a moment in history, encapsulated. With only 20 cases in existence, this exquisite vintage stands as a beacon of exclusivity. The fruit, handpicked at its zenith, has been transformed into a wine that whispers the secrets of the wine region’s rich, loamy soils and the gentle touch of its sun.

Family-owned for over 50 years, Silver Oak produces Cabernet Sauvignons aged exclusively in American oak. Its exceptional, food-friendly wines are both drinkable upon release and worthy of cellaring for decades to come. Ray Duncan founded Silver Oak with Justin Meyer in 1972, and it’s now owned and operated by Ray’s sons, David and Tim, with a commitment to innovative and sustainable viticulture practices across its vineyard properties, winemaking facilities, tasting rooms and cooperage.

This Cabernet Sauvignon is an artwork of complexity and elegance. Expect an intricate lattice of notes that speak of black current, cedar and spice with dried strawberry, black pepper and vanilla on the palate—all interwoven to create a symphony for the senses. With a smooth, supple tannin structure, “Legacy” has a finish that is as lingering as the wine is rare, leaving an indelible mark on the palate.

WINEMAKER: Dan Kemp

ESTIMATED BOTTLING DATE: June 2025

ESTIMATED SHIPPING DATE: June 2026

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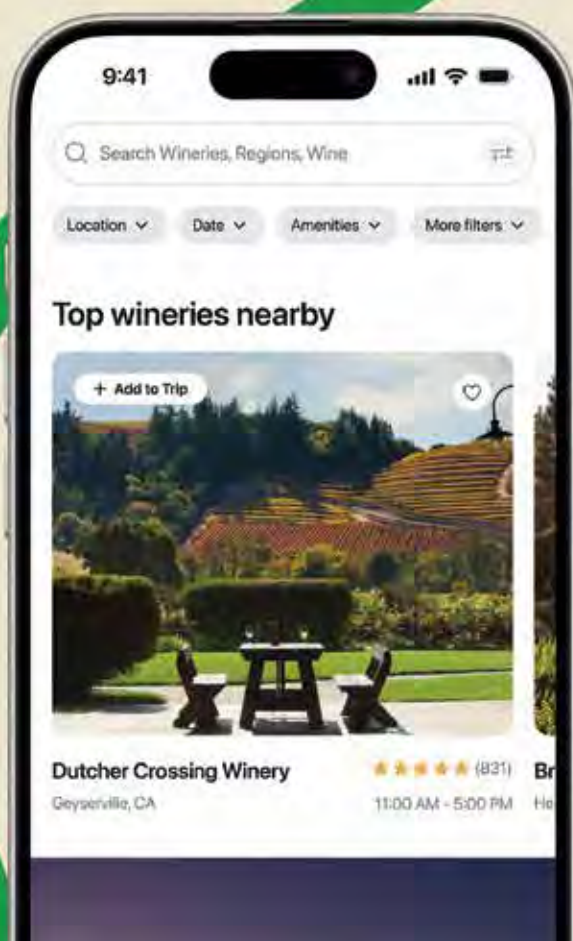


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