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2016 Crescendo Pinot Noir



Vineyard

Bouchaine's 100-acre estate vineyard lies on the southern border of Napa Valley's Carneros district, overlooking the San Francisco bay with the financial district in the distance. Fog, wind, and the cold nighttime temperatures of this unique geographical area lend a distinctive regional identity to our Pinot Noir.

Growing Season

2016 delivered an early and exceptional harvest. Rainy, cool weather during bloom naturally reduced our crop level, leaving concentrated clusters. A cool, foggy summer allowed for slow ripening, high acidity, and superb flavor development. With no heat spikes or rush to pick, it was a smooth harvest that delivered top quality fruit.

Vinification

All fruit is hand harvested at night, preserving berry integrity. After a 5-7 day cold soak, fruit is fermented with native yeast in both open and closed top tanks. The wine is then drawn off and the must placed into a basket press for gentle pressing. All wines complete malolactic fermentation in French oak barrels. The vineyard blocks are kept separate for evaluation and the best blocks are racked together in late Spring to assemble the finest expression of Carneros. The wine is returned to barrel to allow the blend to marry before the August bottling.

Tasting Notes

Crafted from a symphony of Pinot Noir clones on our Estate. May the tension and spice of Dijon, strawberry high notes of Swan, and the richness and depth of cocoa Pommard flavors overtake you by the end of the first glass!

Appellation

Napa Valley, Carneros

Vineyard

Estate

Aging

10 months

Harvest Dates

August 25 -
September 24, 2016

Bottling Dates

July 31 -
August 3, 2017

Maturation

18% new French oak

PH

3.6

TA

5.8 g/L

RS

0 g/L

Alcohol

14.3%

Suggested Retail

\$54

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