

VARIETAL 100% Pinot Noir

COOPERAGE 9 months 25% New French oak

ALCOHOL 14.3%

PRODUCTION 2,625 Cases

SRP \$29

UPC 85644205625

# GEHRICKE

Sonoma Coast - Pinot Noir Sonoma, California

### **Tasting Notes**

This pale ruby Pinot Noir greets the nose with lively aromas of ripe blackberry, white pepper, and earthy wild mushrooms. On the palate, distinctive notes of freshly baked old-fashioned cherry pie and dark berries are interlaced with hints of cocoa and roasted walnuts. A long, smooth finish with lingering spicy notes.

### **Vintage Notes**

Despite the challenges of Covid-19 and record wildfires in Sonoma County, the 2020 growing season was a success. Beginning with a dry winter with just half of the region's typical rainfall, flowering came early and was followed by a warm growing season, August heat spells accelerated ripening, resulting in an early harvest, protecting the fruit from the smoke of the late-summer. The grapes ripened at lower sugars and boasted concentrated flavors.

## **Food Pairings**

Pair this food-friendly wine with pungent washed-rind cheeses, gourmet sandwiches, fresh seafood, baked salmon, roast duck with herbs and mushrooms, or a chocolate mousse for a sweet pairing.

Growing up in Sonoma, we spent a lot of time exploring the local countryside. I remember the excitement of discovery and freedom while thoroughly studying our small town and its outskirts. I remember old dusty roads that led to forgotten vineyards and properties... Gehricke is a tribute to one such road.

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