



FLANAGAN

2016 PINOT NOIR *Gap's View Vineyard*



APPELLATION Sonoma Coast

HARVEST DATE September 12, 2016

PH 3.6

TA 5.9

ABV 14.9%

BARREL REGIMEN Aged for 12 months in 37% new Boutes French oak barrels and neutral barrels from Francois Freres.

CASES PRODUCED 110

RELEASE DATE March 26, 2018

VINEYARD NOTES

The 2016 Vintage at Gap's View was characterized by relatively low crop yields. While not as low as the shockingly small 2015 crop, 2016 was about 10% below average. We acquired the Gap's View vineyard in early 2015 and have since made many improvements in farming. Our remedial viticultural practices include: replanting a large number of dead vines, taking back positions on weaker vines, composting, pruning for fewer shoots and more moderate crop yields, and using worm tea compost as a soil pro-biotic. We also had the vineyard certified as sustainably farmed.

We were so impressed with the Gap's View grapes that in 2016 we elected to craft a vineyard designated wine from the site.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 Flanagan Gap's View vineyard Pinot Noir has a richness that belies it's cool climate. The nose has expressive floral notes and rose hips; the palate is lush with a beautiful pomegranate fruit profile, rounded and nicely balanced by the sites natural cool climate acidity. This is not a "Burgundian" Pinot Noir, it is classic Sonoma Coast from a ripe vintage. We tasted this wine out of barrel at our 2017 Harvest Party and it was a huge hit!