



FLANAGAN

2022 PINOT NOIR *Ritchie Vineyard*



APPELLATION Russian River Valley

HARVEST DATE August 27, 2022

pH 3.71

TA 5.46

ABV 14%

BARREL REGIME Aged in medium toast atelier Jupille forest barrels. 66% new.

CASES PRODUCED 42

RELEASE DATE March 2024

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 vintage saw a continuation of the severe drought that started in 2021. On 4/19/2021 the water from Lake Mendocino was shut off and remained shut off until 10/9/22. No water at all was made available for Agriculture from the lake. The use of many other water sources was either restricted or completely prohibited. The ongoing lack of soil moisture led to a second year of weak shoot growth and poor fruit set. Overall, the crop in North Coast was about 10% below normal. After the total disaster of 2020 (which had two major fires in the middle of the growing season) and the small 2021 harvest, wineries continued to struggle to find fruit. The lack of supply of grapes was partially offset by a drop in consumption starting in the second half of 2022. The 2022 vintage produced another small crop of high-quality grapes.

TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Flanagan Pinot Noir from Ritchie Vineyard offers an expressive nose of pomegranate, raspberry, and rose hips. On the palate the wine has red fruit notes of raspberry, plum, and current with a ripe and supple mouth feel. Ritchie Vineyard is in the heart of the Russian River Valley and is the warmest site we source Pinot Noir from. This famous site produces a generous, fruit driven Pinot Noir that is approachable at a young age.