DAVIES $_{VINEYARDS}$ 2022 PINOT NOIR

Goorgian Vineyards Anderson Valley

The Davies family, of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley, is pleased to release its ninth vintage of its Goorgian Vineyards Pinot Noir. The family's experience with Pinot Noir dates back to 1967, when Jack and Jamie Davies first used this elegant red varietal to make their inaugural vintage of Schramsberg Blanc de Noirs sparkling wine. Over the 57 years following that first use, Schramsberg's winemakers have built long-lasting relationships with some of the best Pinot Noir growers and vineyards in the North Coast. Developing upon this passion, history, and experience, second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies, along with Winemakers Sean Thompson, Jessica Koga and J.P. Pierce present this vineyard-designate Pinot Noir from the 2022 vintage.

The Goorgian Vineyards are located at the northwestern end of the Anderson Valley, 10 miles east of the Pacific Ocean and situated on steep, rocky northwest facing slopes with an elevation ranging from 200-350 feet. Shallow loamy topsoil facilitates excellent drainage above a layer of sandstone and shale, stressing the roots to reach for nutrients and water. Cooler coastal conditions are ideal for Pinot Noir, with nightly breezes dropping temperatures down into the 50s, creating the perfect sugar to acid balance in the grapes. This environment provides a long, even growing season which delivers mature fruit depth with a vibrant, acidic backbone. Goorgian Vineyards is managed by our long-time grape growing partner Paul Ardzrooni.

The 2022 growing season began with several weeks of sunny weather, leading to an earlier bud break. After a few years of drought conditions, the harvest started a few weeks earlier than normal and concluded ahead of schedule. Ripening was hastened thanks to lighter crop levels and consistently warm days in late August and early September. The smaller berries and cluster sizes led to exceptional fruit quality, resulting in wine with superb concentration and flavor.



Tasting Notes

"Our 2022 Goorgian Vineyards Pinot Noir has a nose of black plum, violet, lavender, peppermint, and black tea, with traces of cola spice and anise. The palate presents tart rhubarb, black cherry, and juicy dark fruit through the midpalate, and is carried to a structured, fruitful finish with a balanced acidity."

- Winemakers J.P. Pierce, Jessica Koga, Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies

Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Anderson Valley
Vineyard:	100% Goorgian
Clones:	828, DRC, 667, Pommard, 2A
Barrel Aging (French Oak):	15 months (24% new, 40% once used)
Coopers:	Atelier, Orion, Francois Freres, Billon
Alcohol:	13.2%
TA:	0.64 g/100 mL
pH:	3.40
Harvest Dates:	September 17, 2022
Bottling Date:	January 18, 2024
Release Date:	August 1, 2024
Cases Produced:	200 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$85