

LA CREMA[®]



RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY 2021 PINOT NOIR

Refined. Rich. Elegant.

“Aromas of blackberry, RASPBERRY, and spice cake are followed by flavors of fresh cherry, BOYSENBERRY, and pomegranate. The 2021 vintage presents layers of flavor and a generous mouth-feel.”

CRAIG McALLISTER, WINEMAKER

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THE STATS:

Appellation: Russian River Valley
Composition: 100% Pinot Noir
Type of Oak: 100% French oak;
33% new
Time in Barrel: 8-9 months
Alcohol: 13.9%
T.A.: 5.6 g/L
pH: 3.55

Our original name, La Crema Vinera, means “best of the vine,” setting the standard for all we do since 1979. Our family-owned and operated winery focuses exclusively on cool-climate appellations. We’re continually exploring these very special regions—passionate in our belief that they make uniquely expressive and elegant wines.

A REMARKABLE PLACE

The home of La Crema and the heart of Sonoma County Wine Country, the Russian River Valley AVA is one of the world’s premier wine-growing regions. One unique element of the area is the Pacific Ocean’s maritime influence which moderates the warm days of the growing season allowing grapes to ripen and develop slowly. The unique weather patterns combined with a diversity of well-draining soils make the appellation well suited to produce cool-climate Pinot Noir.

***It’s one of the world’s best cool-climate appellations.
It’s a place for La Crema.***

EXCEPTIONAL GRAPES

The Russian River Valley has an excellent growing season in 2021. A relatively dry winter exacerbated drought conditions and resulted in a much lighter crop compared to average. Spring was relatively cold and peppered with freeze events both pre and post bud break. A warm dry summer provided ideal growing and ripening conditions mostly in the absence of extreme heat spells. The heat did arrive early to mid August and drove early ripening in some of our warmer vineyard sites. As noted, drought conditions resulted in lower Pinot Noir yields but created intense aromas and flavors in exceptional fruit, the resulting wines show vibrant aromatics and great concentration of flavor. Our 2021 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir harvest began on August 26th.

ARTISAN WINEMAKING

Our small-batch, hands-on techniques continued into the winery.

The fruit is predominantly hand-picked and gently de-stemmed, with 70% whole berries in tank. Cold soaked at 48°F for 3-5 days. Fermented in open top tanks, punched down 3 times per day during active fermentation. Post-fermentation, free run was transferred to tank for one night of settling before racking to new and used French oak barrels. No racking out of barrels until blending prior to bottling.

The soulful, spirited Russian River Valley in every sip.

BEST OF THE VINE

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