

A FAMILY ESTATE IN  
MONTEREY'S ARROYO SECO  
ANCIENT RIVER CHANNEL

## PINOT NOIR ARROYO SECO | 2023

ESTATE GROWN  
MONTEREY COUNTY

COMPOSITION  
100% PINOT NOIR  
CLONES 114, 115, 667 & 777

HARVEST DATE(S)  
OCTOBER 2, 2023

AGING 7 MONTHS,  
100% FRENCH OAK (15% NEW)

ALCOHOL 13.5%  
TA 5.7 | PH 3.65

SRP \$35.00

# CEDAR LANE VINEYARD

### VINEYARD NOTES

Our Cedar Lane Vineyard Estate was planted in 1988. It is located in a low-lying floodplain on the western bank of the Arroyo Seco River. This waterway in Monterey County has washed granite stones for eons out of the steep Santa Lucia Mountains. The vineyard's terrain is covered with these cobbles and the sand derived from them. This well drained, rocky soil hampers vigor and leads to low yields and concentrated flavors. Dense fogs and strong winds off Monterey Bay create a strong marine influence. Under these conditions the fruit benefits from an extremely long growing season allowing for greater flavor development while retaining elevated levels of acidity.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

Hand-harvested, grapes are picked in the cool temperatures of early morning. At the winery, we crush and de-stem the fruit into small open top vessels. Fermentation begins spontaneously on native yeast and following 15 days of maceration we press and rack the wine to barrels. Ultimately élevage takes place in French oak (15% new) as the wine is aged 7 months.

### TASTING NOTES

In this, the 36th leaf from the property, our Pinot Noir offers aromas of red-and-black toned fruits as wild raspberry and cherry notes are enveloped in toasty oak and flint in the bouquet. There's a cranberry cocktail character to the palate, where wild sagebrush, baking spices and floral-tea notes arise toward the finish.

— MARK & WILL CHESEBRO, WINEMAKERS



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