RUSSELL # JOYCE

CARMEL VALLEY ESTATE PINOT NOIR 2022





APPELLATION	CARMEL VALLEY	
VINEYARD	JOYCE ESTATE VINEYARD	
BRIX	22.5 - 23.5	PH 3.62
ALCOHOL	13.5 %	
CLONES	777, 667, Pommard 4, 943, 115	
PRODUCTION	400 cases (12x750ML)	
UPC	8 9562700204 5	

PLACE

This Pinot Noir comes from the small estate vineyard planted in 1990 tucked away in the Carmel Valley Village. The Carmel Valley AVA is a tiny AVA located in the greater Monterey County AVA. Carmel Valley still benefits from the coastal influences of the Monterey Bay but due to the smaller opening at the coast end of the valley it is somewhat protected from coastal exposure compared to the Salinas Valley. The chalk rock laden soil combined with mildly warm days produce Pinot Noir with thick skins and robust tannins. This intense fruit creates wine of tremendous depth and energy.

WINEMAKING

- 100% destemmed and fermented in ambient yeast
- Must slightly pressed
- Aged sur lie for 10 months in 20% New French oak and 80% neutral French oak
- Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

AROMA dark cherry, cranberry, baking vanillas, violets

PALATE fresh blackberry, fresh raspberry, black tea, dried pine needles

If consuming upon release a quick decanting is recommended but the real reward is those who can wait several years after release as this is when this particular wine starts to shines.