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DUTTON RANCHES Russian River Valley, Sonoma County 2022 PINOT NOIR



VINEYARD

Davis Bynum wines showcase terroir, differences in flavor from distinct sites in the Russian River Valley. The 2022 Dutton Ranches Pinot Noir comes from the Dutton Ranch - Lorenzo and Dutton Ranch - Gregori vineyards in the cool-climate Green Valley neighborhood of the Russian River Valley AVA. The soil in this neighborhood is the fabled Goldridge sandy loam, which provides exceptional drainage.

THE HARVEST

The 2022 vintage was very mild. Rain from the previous autumn was light, and the new year entered warm and dry with daytime highs up to 70°F in early spring. An unusual sprinkle of rain in early summer was no cause for concern, and the temperature turned predictably hot for a few days in June as usual, but the season was mild overall, with most summer days peaking around 85-90°F. An early start to harvest came as no surprise with the seasonable weather as we picked the three different blocks from mid to late August when they became ripe.

WINEMAKING

We chose to blend the darker-fruited and spicy Dijon clones 667 and 777 from Dutton Gregori Ranch, with a small amount of the red fruit and rose petal characteristics Dijon clone 115 from Dutton Lorenzo Ranch. Fermenting this wine in a combination of oak barrels and stainless steel tanks contributes to generous fruit aromatics and complexity.

TASTE PROFILE

Fresh fruit aromas, silky tannins, fine acidity, and subtle spice nuances are traditional hallmarks of this wine. The 2022 vintage of Dutton Ranches shows ripe strawberry, raspberry compote, and vinous aromas with lilac, oak spice and cola, sweetness on the midpalate, silky smooth, with strawberry and toasted marshmallow flavors, and milk chocolate undertones. The palate is medium rich, soft-edged, but with a measure of acidity, and fine tannins for aging.

*Our 2022 Dutton Ranch Pinot Noir is a vegan wine.



HARVEST DATE 8.18.22 – 8.26.22		AVG. BRIX AT HARVEST 24.4° Brix		VARIETAL 100% Pinot Noir	
APPELLATION 100% Russian River Valley VINEYARD Dutton Gregori Ranch, Dutton Lorenzo Ranch WINEMAKERS Greg Morthole		SOIL Goldridge sandy loam			
		pH 3.55		TA 0.58g/100mL	
		ALC 13.5%			
		CLONES 115, 667		OAK AGING 16 months in French and European oak barrels, 55% new	



Davis Bynum is distinguished as the first winery to produce a single vineyard Pinot Noir from the Russian River Valley. The vintage was 1973 and the grapes were from Joe Rochioli's now prized vineyard. Today, our heritage of winemaking lives on through hand-crafted wines grown exclusively in Russian River Valley.