



TOLOSA

RUSSIAN RIVER PINOT NOIR 2023

Russian River

VINTAGE NOTES

A wet winter preceded an extended, cooler spring. As a result, bud break was delayed and vineyards were tracking about four weeks behind a normal year, which stayed that way through a moderate summer with temperatures staying in the 70's and 80's. The fruit developed and matured at a slow and steady pace, resulting in one of the latest harvests in recent memory. Almost a month later than 2022 and the long, mild growing season enabled grapes to develop deep, complex flavors with exceptional balance.

VINEYARD SOURCES

Russian River Valley is broken down into sub-growing regions called "neighborhoods". A majority of the grapes for the 2023 vintage came from the Middle Reach neighborhood just outside of Windsor. One of Russian River's warmer neighborhoods, Middle Reach has volcanic clay soils and is moderated at night by the influence from the nearby Russian River and Petaluma Gap. Grapes from the cooler Green Valley neighborhood were added for aromatics and structure.

WINEMAKING

Grapes for the Russian River Valley Pinot Noir 2023 were destemmed before fermentation took place in open top stainless-steel tanks at a range of warm and cool temperatures that brought out a complex array of aromas and flavors. Aged for nine months in 100% French oak barriques with 32% new barrels.



ABOUT TOLOSA

Established in 1998, Tolosa Winery is nestled in the heart of San Luis Obispo's Edna Valley and within the San Luis Obispo Coast AVA. Specializing in ultra-premium Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, Tolosa strategically partners with California's most renowned winegrowers and esteemed vineyards in its sourcing of exceptional, sustainably-farmed wine grapes. The winery is celebrated for its innovative winemaking techniques and unwavering dedication to sustainable practices, artfully highlighting the diverse terroirs of the finest grape-growing regions in California.

Sight	Medium ruby red
Nose	Complex aromas of strawberry, cranberry and Santa Rosa plum with new leather, cinnamon, clove and red licorice
Palate	Medium bodied, pure flavors of cherry, cranberry and raspberry with notes of dried earth, anise and vanilla enhanced by balanced tannins and a long finish