

TOLOSA

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR 2021

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 vintage began with a cold start and progressed to a warmer end. Lower crop levels and moderate weather with no significant heat waves led to a slightly earlier, compressed harvest. The combination of a smaller crop and moderate weather resulted in grapes with a rich flavor, ripeness, and concentration.

VINEYARD SOURCES

Russian River Valley is broken down into sub-growing regions called "neighborhoods". A majority of the grapes for the 2021 vintage came from the Middle Reach neighborhood just outside of Windsor. A warmer growing region with volcanic clay soils, Middle Reach 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 2021 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 9 months in 100% French oak with 12% new barrels.

- Visual Medium dark ruby red
- Nose Aromas of ripe dark cherry and plum are complimented by notes of lavender, dark earth, roses, and toasted nuts.
- Palate Medium full bodied with dense, juicy cherry and pomegranate flavors with woodsy, anise undertones, excellent balance, and a long, firm finish.



ABOUT TOLOSA

Cowboy dreams of owning a cattle ranch brought Robin Baggett to the San Luis Obispo Coast. The cold Pacific wind and soils from ancient seabed to limestone made him realize he was on a frontier of a different sort. Tolosa is the expression of his commitment to spare no effort to craft nuanced and balanced Pinot Noir and Chardonnay of distinctive character to rival any in the world. Our Single Vineyard series of very small-lot, artisanal wines invites exploration of renowned appellations and acclaimed vineyards throughout California and confirms our home's place in this distinguished company.