



# 2021 Pinot Noir Rae, Sonoma Coast

## Winemaking Details

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| <b>Barrel Aging</b>    | 20 Months in French oak barrel – once used |
| <b>pH</b>              | 3.49                                       |
| <b>Alcohol</b>         | 13.5%                                      |
| <b>Bottling</b>        | May 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2023                |
| <b>Production</b>      | 25 Cases                                   |
| <b>Drinking Window</b> | 2024 - 2040                                |
| <b>Harvest</b>         | September 14 <sup>th</sup>                 |

## Growing Notes

Starting with the 2018 vintage, we have created this wine named after Katy’s mom, Janna Rae. As the wines are aging in French oak barrels, Katy tastes each barrel on a regular basis and makes notes on each one. After about 15 months, she selects the barrel that she believes is the best of the vintage. Each year, this special barrel can be selected from any of the vineyards in our portfolio.

In 2021, we started the year with great anticipation after the devastating 2020 vintage where we did not harvest anything. The season started off with a mild winter and some unusually warm days in January. Despite the sporadic warm weather, budbreak happened at a normal time in mid-March. We had moderate temperatures in the spring and summer. The harvest started in early September and we were finished before the end of the month. Due to the balanced climate and yields, quality was fantastic and we think that it is one of our best vintages.

## Tasting Notes

Farmers market plum, fresh strawberry, and blood orange aromas intertwine with forest floor, black tea, and clove. On the palate, tannins are structured and firm with flavors of cranberry, raspberry, and pomegranate accentuating electric acidity and well-integrated oak.

