

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2017 PINOT NOIR

Anderson Valley

The Davies family of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley is pleased to release its ninth vintage of Pinot Noir still wines. The Anderson Valley Pinot Noir is a blend of the Ferrington and Goorgian Vineyards, located at opposite ends of this coastal valley at the southern end of Mendocino county. The family's experience with Pinot Noir dates back to 1967, when Jack and Jamie Davies first used this elegant red varietal to make their inaugural vintage of Schramsberg Blanc de Noirs sparkling wine. Over the 52 years following that first use, Schramsberg's winemakers have built long-lasting relationships with some of the best Pinot Noir growers in the North Coast. Developing upon this passion, history, and experience, second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies and Director of Winemaking Sean Thompson are proud to present this appellation-designate Pinot Noir wine from the 2017 vintage.

The Ferrington Vineyards property, located approximately 100 miles north of San Francisco and 17 miles inland from the Pacific Ocean, is in a fertile pocket of land found at the edge of the northeastern foothills of Mendocino County's Anderson Valley AVA. Between 360 and 440 feet above sea level, the three acres produce approximately 2.5 tons per acre of bright, complex fruit. Goorgian Vineyards is located at the northwestern end of the Anderson Valley, 10 miles east of the Pacific Ocean and situated on steep rocky north-west facing slopes with an elevation ranging from 200-350 feet. From it's highest point you can see down the southeastern end of the valley.

Heavy winter rains along the Northern California coast fortified vineyards and resulted in big, healthy vines in 2017. Bud break timing was normal, and no major frost events or uneven weather occurred during that period. A late August heat wave occurred pre-harvest for the reds, ripening progressed at a leisurely pace after temperatures cooled.



Tasting Notes

“This Pinot Noir features aromas of brambly raspberry, wild strawberry, red plum, and baking spice. The palate combines a broad mouthfeel with a juicy center of black plum and dark chocolate, that carry through to the finish with a tangy acidity.”

- Winemakers Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies

Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Anderson Valley
Vineyards:	61% Ferrington Vineyards, 39% Goorgian Vineyards
Clones:	828, 667, 777, Pommard, 115
Barrel Aging (French Oak):	15 months (25% new, 30% once used)
Coopers:	Damy, Billon, Remond
Alcohol:	14.5%
TA:	0.62 g/100 mL
pH:	3.51
Harvest Dates:	September 4 - 16, 2017
Bottling Date:	January 15, 2019
Release Date:	September 1, 2019
Cases Produced:	300 (9-liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$45