

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2019 PINOT NOIR

*Georgian Vineyard
Anderson Valley*

The Davies family of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley is pleased to release its sixth vintage of its Georgian Vineyards Pinot Noir. 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 54 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 Winemakers Sean Thompson and Jessica Koga are proud to present this vineyard-designate Pinot Noir from southern Mendocino County's Anderson Valley.

The Georgian Vineyards are located at the northwestern end of the Anderson Valley, 10 miles east of the Pacific Ocean and situated on steep, rocky northwest facing slopes with an elevation ranging from 200-350 feet. Shallow loamy topsoil facilitates excellent drainage above a layer of sandstone and shale, stressing the roots to reach for nutrients and water. Cooler daily temperatures are ideal for Pinot Noir with nightly coastal breezes dropping into the 50s, creating the perfect sugar to acid balance in the grapes. This environment provides a long, even growing season which delivers mature fruit depth with a vibrant, acidic backbone. Georgian Vineyards is managed by our long-time grape growing partner Paul Ardzrooni.

The 2019 growing season in Anderson Valley started off with a wet spring, causing bud break and bloom to occur later than normal. The weather remained moderate through most of the season; canopies were healthy, and strong allowing for gradual ripening. The starting date of harvest was average compared to previous years, with yields coming in light to normal. With lighter yields, vines were able to produce fruit with exceptional quality, balanced acidity, and concentrated flavors and aromas.



Tasting Notes

“The 2019 Georgian Pinot Noir opens with concentrated aromas of boysenberry, black cherry, marionberry and cocoa, with layers of anise and rose petal delicately woven in. The clean and fresh palate of red berry and cranberry is supported with richer tones of dark chocolate and licorice, which leads to a focused acidity on the finish.”

- Winemakers Sean Thompson and Jessica Koga

Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Anderson Valley
Vineyards:	100% Georgian Vineyards
Clones:	828, Pommard, 2A, 667, DRC, 943
Barrel Aging (French Oak):	15 months (21% new, 50% once used)
Coopers:	Atelier Centre France, Damy, Remond
Alcohol:	14.4%
TA:	0.59 g/100 mL
pH:	3.63
Harvest Dates:	September 23 - 24, 2019
Bottling Date:	January 25, 2021
Release Date:	September 1, 2021
Cases Produced:	375 (9-liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$75