

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2021 PINOT NOIR

Keefer Ranch
Russian River Valley, Sonoma Coast

The Davies family, of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley, is proud to release its second Pinot Noir release from the Keefer Ranch, which was purchased in 2019. 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 first vintage of Schramsberg Blanc de Noirs sparkling wine. Over the 56 years following that first use, Schramsberg's winemakers have built long-lasting relationships with some of the best Pinot Noir growers and vineyards in the North Coast. Developing upon this passion, history, and experience, second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies, along with Winemakers Sean Thompson and Jessica Koga, present this vineyard-designate Pinot Noir wine from the 2021 vintage.

The Keefer Ranch is located along the Green Valley Creek in the Russian River Valley. The vineyard is planted on gently sloping, south-facing Goldridge Loam soil. Well drained throughout the growing season, this ground is moderately vigorous, ideally suited for the growth of densely concentrated Pinot Noir wine grapes. The vineyard profits from a long, cool hang time resulting in fruit with outstanding color, extraction, and balanced tannins. Keefer Ranch Pinot Noir delivers ripe cherry, bright cranberry, sweet spice, lively acidity, soft tannins, and supple texture.

The 2021 Sonoma Coast growing season started out cold and progressed into a mildly warm summer. Hot days and cold nights allowed for steady ripening throughout the season. The fall was free of any long and lingering heat waves, allowing the fruit to develop to ideal ripeness with vibrant fruit flavors. Overall, these excellent growing conditions resulted in beautifully balanced wines.



Tasting Notes

“This Keefer Ranch Pinot Noir opens with aromas of berry pie, black plum, and dried cherry, which are supported with hints of cocoa, cinnamon, bay leaf and maple. The palate presents a silky entry that reveals a broad and luscious center, showcasing juicy flavors of Bing cherry, raspberry, red mulberry, and cranberry. Nuances of rhubarb, coffee, and dark chocolate interplay with the primary flavors, bringing subtle complexity and depth.”

- Winemakers Jessica Koga, Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies

Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Russian River Valley, Sonoma Coast
Vineyards:	100% Keefer Ranch
Clones:	Swan, Calera
Barrel Aging (French Oak):	15 months (20% new, 60% once used)
Coopers:	Orion, Atelier, Billon, Francois Freres, Tonnelliere O
Alcohol:	14.6%
TA:	0.57 g/100 mL
pH:	3.68
Harvest Dates:	September 11, 2021
Bottling Date:	January 18, 2023
Release Date:	September 1, 2023
Cases Produced:	275 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$80