

# DAVIES

VINEYARDS

## 2022 PINOT NOIR

*Keefer Ranch Estate*  
*Russian River Valley, Sonoma Coast*

The Davies family, of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley, is proud to release its third 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 57 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, Jessica Koga and J.P. Pierce present this estate vineyard-designate Pinot Noir wine from the 2022 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 2022 growing season began with several weeks of sunny weather, leading to an earlier bud break. After a few years of drought conditions, the harvest started a few weeks earlier than normal and concluded ahead of schedule. Ripening was hastened thanks to lighter crop levels and consistently warm days in late August and early September. The smaller berries and cluster sizes led to exceptional fruit quality, resulting in wine with superb concentration and flavor.



### Tasting Notes

“Our 2022 Keefer Ranch Pinot Noir supplies aromas of cranberry, raspberry, and cassis, with accents of white strawberry, dried herb, and smoked cedar. A bright entry of red plum, rhubarb and Bing cherry on the palate, is interlaced with touches of cinnamon and baking spice. A focused acidity offers a delicacy to the wine and substantial length to the finish.”

*- Winemakers J.P. Pierce, Jessica Koga, Sean Thompson and Hugh Davies*

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| <b>Varietal Composition:</b>      | 100% Pinot Noir                        |
| <b>Appellation:</b>               | Russian River Valley, Sonoma Coast     |
| <b>Vineyard:</b>                  | 100% Keefer Ranch Estate               |
| <b>Clones:</b>                    | Swan, Calera                           |
| <b>Barrel Aging (French Oak):</b> | 15 months (15% new, 54% once used)     |
| <b>Coopers:</b>                   | Atelier, Damy, Francois Freres, Billon |
| <b>Alcohol:</b>                   | 14.6%                                  |
| <b>TA:</b>                        | 0.60 g/100 mL                          |
| <b>pH:</b>                        | 3.76                                   |
| <b>Harvest Dates:</b>             | September 15, 2022                     |
| <b>Bottling Date:</b>             | January 18, 2024                       |
| <b>Release Date:</b>              | August 1, 2024                         |
| <b>Cases Produced:</b>            | 325 (9 liter)                          |
| <b>Suggested Retail:</b>          | \$85                                   |