

DAVIES

VINEYARDS

2022 PINOT NOIR

Napa Valley Carneros

The Davies family, of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in the Napa Valley, is pleased to release its seventh vintage of Napa Valley Carneros 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 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 appellation-designate Pinot Noir wine from the 2022 vintage.

This bottling is a blend from three vineyard sites within the Napa Carneros AVA: Three Amigos, Brown Ranch and Hyde. The grapes from the Carneros region are favorably influenced by the nightly cooling effect from the closely located San Pablo Bay. These cool temperatures allow the fruit to retain its acidity. The vines thrive on three feet of loamy topsoil above an impenetrable clay subsoil, tempering control over the vines' nutrient and water supply.

The 2022 growing season was the third year in a row of drought conditions. Warmer and drying temperatures led to an early bud break and lighter crop levels. Hot days leading up to mid-September further hastening ripening. A heat wave during the Labor Day weekend kicked harvest into high gear. This season yielded fruit of excellent quality, characterized by structured, concentrated color, luxurious tannins, and wonderful flavors.



Tasting Notes

“Our 2022 Napa Valley Carneros Pinot Noir offers a bouquet of plush plum, strawberry, cranberry, and rhubarb, with a touch of allspice, baked pie crust, and forest floor. The palate combines bright blueberry, cherry and red plum with a hint of black tea, and ends with a juicy finish.”

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

Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Napa Valley Carneros
Vineyards:	53% Brown Ranch, 32% Three Amigos, 15% Hyde
Clones:	115, St. Claire, Little Piggy, 667
Barrel Aging (French Oak):	15 months (18% new, 40% once used)
Coopers:	Remond, Billon, Orion, VG7
Alcohol:	14.8%
TA:	0.60 g/100 mL
pH:	3.73
Harvest Dates:	September 8 - 27, 2022
Bottling Date:	January 19, 2024
Release Date:	August 1, 2024
Cases Produced:	225 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$60