

PETER PAUL

WINES

2020 Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast Gravenstein Highway

The core element of this Pinot Noir comes from the vineyards near Gravenstein Highway in Sonoma County, a road named after the rare Gravenstein Apple, a historic symbol of the region's agricultural traditions. Sources include several sites across Russian River and our star in the Petaluma Gap, Terra de Promissio (TDP). For Gravenstein Highway, we always seek to achieve a balance between aromatic purity, graceful complexity, and a refreshing bright style of Pinot Noir.

Tasting Notes

Gravenstein Highway lifts our spirits with a brilliant, translucent scarlet color. The Russian River source provided notes of Bing cherries, lavender, roses, raspberries, black tea, and remarkably, a hint of sweet citrus on the finish. Interestingly, the wine gets more expressive and layered with time in the glass. Me-thinks that's probably the Terra de Promissio element giving depth and focus to the wine. Effectively the job of Pinot Noir in this style is to be *light* without being *simple*.

Technical Data

Variety: 100% Pinot Noir
Appellation: Russian River ~80%, Petaluma Gap ~20%
Maturation: 100% French Oak, 20% new, 14 months
Bottled Date: Dec 2021
Production: 340 cases (12 x 750ml)