



## JOSEPH JEWELL

— 2020 —

Pinot Noir

*Bucher Vineyard*

Russian River Valley

### TASTING NOTES:

Deep ruby in the glass, the 2020 vintage is Bucher at its best, with compelling aromas of bright red cherries, ripe raspberries, tomato leaf, and leather. This wine has a palate filled with succulent, silky textures and flavors of fresh bing cherry and sweet tobacco accompanied by a soft acid and grippy tannin culminating in a long balanced finish.

### WINEMAKER NOTES:

John Bucher has made quite a name for himself as a winegrower in the Russian River Valley, with the likes of Williams Selyem lobbying for fruit annually from his Westside Road estate that overlooks the Russian River. Being neighbors with Rochioli, it is easy to understand why the grapes from Bucher Vineyard are held in such high regard. Yountville clay, Laughlin, and Josephine loams make up the 38 sustainably farmed acres of Bucher Vineyard. We have been sourcing fruit since 2014 from a steep hillside block, providing for excellent drainage and exposure—both of which are vital to the crafting of elegant and nuanced pinot noir.

### VINEYARD DETAILS

BLOCKS/CLONES USED IN BOTTLING

Saddle Block Swan Clone & Tory's Block Pommard 5

YEAR PLANTED

2006 & 2009

TOTAL TONS ACQUIRED

4.1

VINEYARD ORIENTATION

Hillside, North south

TRELLISING TYPE

Vertical shoot position

AVERAGE CROP LOAD PER ACRE

2.2

SOIL TYPE

Yountville clay loam

### PRIMARY FERMENTATION DETAILS

HARVEST DATE/BRUX

8/19/2020 24.5 Brix

FERMENTATION TIME

15 days

PUNCH DOWNS PER DAY

2 Per day

TYPE/SIZE OF FERMENTATION VESSEL

Temperature controlled, stainless steel open top tanks

TYPE OF FERMENTATION

100% destemmed

### BARREL PROGRAM

PERCENTAGE OF NEW FRENCH OAK

28% New French oak

Rousseau HBC ML & Francois Freres VTG MT

BARREL AGING

11 months

### FINISHED WINE DETAILS

ALCOHOL

14.1%

PH

3.61

TITRATABLE ACIDITY

5.8 g/l

FILTRATION

None

BOTTLING DATE

August 6th 2020

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