

2021 EEL RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

The Eel River Valley Pinot Noir is a blend of our Humboldt County vineyards, showcasing the potential of this new, undiscovered area as a world-class winegrowing region.

Joseph Jewell Vineyards

The 2021 Eel River Valley Pinot Noir represents our vision of the quintessential expression of Pinot Noir from Humboldt County. As the mighty Eel River winds throughout Humboldt, it experiences the nuances of micro-climates from the mountains to the coast. Pockets of warmth, steep ridges, rocky slopes, cool valleys, and coastal fog provide unique vineyard areas to produce an array of Pinot Noir styles. Our Eel River Valley is the amalgamation of those styles. The 2021 is a luxurious blend of five vineyards, Ryan, Alderpoint, Miller Creek, Fruitland Ridge, and Phelps.

Winemaking

The grapes undergo temperature-controlled, native fermentation in stainless steel open-top tanks for 10-15 days, receiving two punch downs per day. Barrel aging consists of 19% new Francios Freres, Remond, and Rouseau French oak for 11 months.

TASTING NOTES

PRODUCTION

Initial aromas of fresh red fruits—cherry, plum, bramble, cranberry, raspberry—transition to deeper notes of black cherry, ripe plum. Subtle hints of forest bark, dried autumn leaves add earthy complexity. A rich sensory experience unveiling layers of fruit and earthiness in this captivating wine.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Appellation	Humboldt County
Vineyards	Alderpoint, Elk Prairie, Fruitland Ridge, Phelps, and Ryan
Clones	115, 667, 777, Martini, Pommard
SOIL TYPES	Coluvium derived from sandstone and earth flow deposits derived from schist
Farming	Practicing sustainable farming
HARVEST DATE	September 13 - October 12, 2021
WHOLE-CLUSTER	12%
Barrel Program	11 Months, 19% new, Francios Freres, Remond, and Rouseau
BRIX	24.5 - 25
ALCOHOL	14%

6 Barrels, 150 Cases

ACCOLADES

Wine 92 Points
Enthusiast Editor's
Choice

"A Pinot Noir that's light and fresh, yet deep with layers of complexity—yes please. On the palate there's a vibrant red cherry pop that immediately followed engages, vibrant, juicy raspberry, rose and violet potpourri, forest floor and a salty seaair minerality that truly gives a sense of place." — Stacy Briscoe

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