

## **2021 Spring Release: Reds Only Case Selection**

### **2018 Windy Hill Vineyard (2 Bottles)**

**Tasting Notes:** Windy Hill always produces some of our most aromatic Pinot Noir. The soaring nose is confirmed by the expressive palate- juicy red fruits, spice and a background of forest-floor.

**Vineyard:** The Windy Hill Vineyard, re-planted in 2012, is perched on the very top of the Fogarty Estate at just under 2000 ft. These 2.5 acres, are buffeted by wind, drenched in fog and grown in desperately shallow soil; Windy Hill is a tough place to be a grapevine. Lucky for us this leads to fantastic fruit. The wines are ethereal with red fruits, spice and distinct mineral notes. This is our tightest-spaced Estate Vineyard and is planted to old California Heritage Selections of Pinot Noir.

Alcohol: 12%

Retail: \$78

**Member Price:** \$62.40

### **2018 La Vida Bella Vineyard Pinot Noir (2 Bottles)**

**Tasting Notes:** The cool climate and sandy soils produce beautifully pure Pinot Noir with bright red fruit and soft silky tannins. This wine is always one of the more accessible Pinot Noirs we produce.

**Vineyard:** The La Vida Bella vineyard is located above the floor of the Pleasant Valley area of Corralitos. Joe Quink and Pam Minnis' site features a large swale on the northern section of the vineyard with some of the steepest terrain in the area. We think this is classic "Corralitos" Pinot, has a great mix of red and blue fruit, spice and the velvety tannin we have come to know and love from wines farmed in this region.

Alcohol: 13.3%

Retail: \$62

**Member Price:** \$49.60

### **2018 Rapley Trail Vineyard Pinot Noir (2 Bottles)**

**Tasting Notes:** The Rapley Trail Vineyard has a unique aromatic incense of, North-African spice and forest floor. Is red fruited with great texture, harmony and richness.

**Vineyard:** The Rapley Trail Vineyard (avg. elev. 1650 ft.) was planted in 1981, consisting of six contiguous acres of Pinot Noir vines on our Estate's rugged southeastern slopes. It has long been the backbone of our past "Estate Reserve" Pinot Noir, but beginning in 2002 we have begun to bottle portions of the vineyard separately. This "deconstruction" displays the unique aspects and interactions of soil and climate that accounts for grapes whose flavor is a direct product of where they are grown; this is terroir. The Rapley Trail Vineyard bottling is comprised of the various lots harvested from the vineyard, which in some years can be picked in as many as 7 passes.

Alcohol: 13.9%

Retail: \$78

**Member Price:** \$62.40

### **2018 Will's Cabin Vineyard Pinot Noir (2 Bottles)**

**Tasting Notes:** From our Gist Ranch Estate, this bottling showcases mountain Pinot Noir with aromatic red fruit and a wild forest spice character.

**Vineyard:** The Will's Cabin Estate Vineyard lies some 20 miles south of the winery at elevations reaching over 2300 ft. The north-west facing ridge is heavily fractured Vacqueros sandstone with steep slopes and awesome exposure. A mere 14 miles separates the vineyard and ocean, though it often basks in morning sun as it sits

above the morning fog. This is an earlier ripening vineyard that produces wines that are seriously structured with a wild, mountain character that continues to impress us.

Alcohol: 13.90%

Retail: \$72

**Member:** \$57.60

### **2017 Lexington Merlot (2 Bottles)**

**Tasting Notes:** 2016 Merlot from Gist Ranch Estate has a savory characteristic, expressing plum and black licorice with firm tannins.

**Vineyard:** The vineyard was densely planted in the year 2000 at elevations reaching 2300 feet above sea level, 17 miles inland from the Pacific Ocean. The heavily fractured, Vaqueros Sandstone soils and unique mountain micro-climate produce singular, deeply concentrated wines that demonstrate the power and elegance of the Santa Cruz Mountains appellation. The Gist Vineyard is farmed to organic principles with an emphasis on “Living Soils” and bio-diversity.

Alcohol: 14.8%

Retail: \$55

**Member:** \$44

### **2017 Lexington Cabernet Sauvignon (2 Bottles)**

**Tasting Notes:** The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Gist Ranch Estate is juicy and approachable. This full-bodied Cabernet expresses dark fruits, spice, sage and tobacco.

**Vineyard:** The vineyard was densely planted in the year 2000 at elevations reaching 2300 feet above sea level, 17 miles inland from the Pacific Ocean. The heavily fractured, Vaqueros Sandstone soils and unique mountain micro-climate produce singular, deeply concentrated wines that demonstrate the power and elegance of the Santa Cruz Mountains appellation. The Gist Vineyard is farmed to organic principles with an emphasis on “Living Soils” and bio-diversity.

Alcohol: 15%

Retail: \$65

**Member:** \$52