#### **SUMMER 2022: THREE BOTTLE RELEASE**

### 2019 Mindego Ridge Vineyard Pinot Noir

Mindego Ridge Vineyard is located at the western end of Alpine Rd. near the town of La Honda. It is a perfectly exposed south facing hillside in a very cool spot. Planted in 2009, the nine acres of Pinot Noir here are lovingly farmed by Dave and Stacey Gollnick. The clay loam over shale soils produce wines of great intensity. This is one of the more exciting new plantings in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Member Price: \$61.20 Retail Price: \$72

"The 2019 Pinot Noir Mindego Ridge Vineyard captures all the personality of this site. Deceptively weightless in feel, the 2019 builds beautifully in the glass, showing a beguiling mix of translucent energy and structure. Sweet, dried cherry, mint, crushed rocks, rose petals and dried herbs are all beautifully laced together. This is made in an especially savory and mineral style, while the fruit is more pushed into the background."

- Antonio Galloni, Vinous. 94 points.

## 2017 Langley Hill Vineyard Chardonnay

Langley Hill is our largest plot of Estate Chardonnay. It occupies a steep hillside, offering numerous exposures and soil depths. The vineyard's fractured sandstone over Lambert shale yields Chardonnay that is steely and structured with persistent citrus and mineral flavors.

Member Price: \$57.80 Retail Price: \$68

"Aromas of butter-braised lemon and grapefruit, light spearmint and a hint of butterscotch candy show on the nose of this bottling. The palate is lively with textural activity, as a lime-pith tension and chalky, ashy tannins lead through grapefruit-flesh flavors into an intense finish."

- Matt Kettman, Wine Enthusiast. 93 points.

#### 2018 Gist Ranch Estate Cabernet Franc

The heavily fractured, Vacqueros Sandstone soils and mountain microclimate produce singular wines that demonstrate the power of the Santa Cruz Mountains Appellation.

Member Price: \$55.25 Retail Price: \$65

"There's a focused line of blackberry to the core of the nose of this bottling, as well as warmer caramel and brown-spice elements, with black peppercorn on the edges. There's intense wood spice to the palate, with cracked pepper and herb lifting the core berry fruit."

- Matt Kettman, Wine Enthusiast. 92 points.

#### 2019 Vintage

The wines are concentrated with a fine balance of structure and fruit intensity. Site expression seems amplified; low yields and moderate temperatures often lead to some of our most singular and terroir driven wines. The wines drink surprisingly well in their youth and have all the components for a long life ahead. The only downside to the year are yields; the wines will be sought after and rare.

## 2018 Vintage

2018 was another dry, but not particularly warm winter. This changes in early February. A system of high pressure brought daytime temperatures into the 70s, warming the dry soil and initiating bud break on the early side in some of our vineyard sites. In March an arctic cold front settled in and brought nighttime temperatures down to freezing, which risked frost damage to the new shoot growth. These wines are poised and complex with depth and structure.

#### 2017 Vintage

Record setting rains replenished our thirsty soils and gave our old vines a much-needed reprieve from four drought stressed seasons. A torrid heat spike over the Labor Day started the growing season with a bang and had us off and running at sprinter's pace. The weather following was mild and allowed for the latest harvest we have seen in some time. It will go down as a vintage with good yields and potentially great quality.

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