

## 2017 Mindego Ridge **Vineyard Pinot Noir**





Santa Cruz Mountain AVA



3.44



13.3% Alcohol



307 Cases Produced



935 feet



Clay Loam soils



Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Winemaker: Nathan Kandler Vineyard Manager: Dave and Stacey Gollnick

## Vintage

Record setting rains replenished our thirsty soils and gave our old vines a much needed reprieve from drought-stressed seasons. The vintage was another year of recordsetting heat, continuing our string of record-setting temperatures. Luckily, spring was mild and allowed us to set the best crop we have seen since 2012. 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.

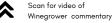
## Vineyard

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.

## **Tasting Notes**

The 2017 Pinot Noir Mindego Ridge Vineyard very slowly blossoms to aromas of red and black cherries, bay leaf, loam, dried flowers and hints of bouquet garni. The palate is medium-bodied and intense, gaining in amplitude as it swirls in the mouth. It has a firm, finegrained frame and addicting juicy freshness, finishing long and spicy. –Erin Brooks, Wine Advocate







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