**2022 ‘Live Free or Die’ Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir**

**Vintage Notes**

The 2022 vintage will be remembered for its very small yields but extremely high-quality fruit, especially from vineyards that are adapting to climate change. Following a winter with little rainfall, the growing season began unusually early with budbreak in February. The summer months were warm and mild, leading to slow phenolic ripeness in the small berries and clusters. A recordbreaking heatwave occurred in early September, however, our vineyards were picked beforehand. We were fortunate that our fruit was perfectly ripe before this heat event, allowing us to lock in the freshness and acidity required for ageworthy wines.

**Tasting Notes**

The 2022 ‘Live Free or Die’ Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir is an homage to our Founder’s home state of New Hampshire, where it is the state’s motto. This particular vintage is incredibly expressive and fresh, qualities we strive to bring out in all of our Pinot Noir. Intense aromatics of wild raspberry, lavender, sage, and white pepper fill the headspace of the glass. There are also savory elements of olive and forest floor which balance out the fruit. The palate is very seductive and juicy, however, it is beautifully framed by pixelated tannins and refreshing acidity.

**Technical Data**

* Varietals: 100% Pinot Noir
* Sub-appellations: Sonoma Coast (50% Petaluma Wind Gap, 50% Carneros)
* Maturation: 25% New French Oak, 75% Neutral French Oak, Aged for 15 Months
* Bottled Date: December 13, 2023
* Cases Produced: 409 Cases (12 x 750 mL)
* Winemaker: Michael A. Tracy