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# FERRARI-CARANO

*Vineyards and Winery*

## SKY HIGH RANCH PINOT NOIR

MENDOCINO RIDGE

2019

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Sky High Ranch Pinot Noir is a superbly-crafted wine made from mountaintop vineyards located on Mendocino Ridge, high above Anderson Valley in Mendocino County.

### GRAPE

Pinot Noir

### AROMAS & FLAVORS

This wine opens with delicious aromas of cocoa, plum, blueberry pie and cola, complemented by juicy flavors of pomegranate, black cherry and caramel. This naturally-balanced wine has a velvety texture and a dazzling, layered complexity with lingering notes of rose petal on the finish.

### HOW IT'S MADE

The grapes are hand picked and brought to the winery in macrobins, then gently destemmed and transferred to small stainless steel open-top tanks. After a 3-day cold soak, various yeast strains are introduced. Tanks are punched down 1-3 times per day. Once dry, the wines are drained and pressed to tank for one day of settling and then racked to barrels, where they complete malolactic fermentation. After 8 months in barrel, the wine was bottled in July, 2020.

### THE VINTAGE

2019 began with plenty of rain, including a couple of days of flooding, which brought our total rainfall to well above the annual average. March was cooler and wetter than normal, leading to later budbreak and bloom dates, and despite a rare storm during flowering season, a good crop size was set. Summer brought typical warm Sonoma county weather, heating up towards the end of August and the beginning of September. Favorable weather continued, allowing the grapes to hang as long as needed to develop ripe, jammy flavors. Harvest was completed on September 28th.

### FOOD PAIRINGS

Sky High Ranch Pinot Noir is a seductive, aromatic wine that pairs well with salmon, duck, pork and meat entrées such as beef bourguignon or rack of lamb. Try pairing this Pinot Noir with cheeses like Brie, Camembert, Gruyère or goat. Chocolate covered strawberries would make a delightful dessert pairing.

### COOPERAGE

31% new French oak, 69% older oak

### TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol/pH/TA: 14.5%/3.65/.54

Bottled: July 2020



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