

MERRY EDWARDS WINERY AND VINEYARDS RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

## ANDER JON VALLEY PINOT NOIR 2022

Anderson Valley, United States

## OVERVIEW

Merry Edwards Winery was founded in 1997 and produces terroir-driven, single-vineyard wines from 80 acres of estate vineyards in the Russian River Valley. The winery is known for crafting Pinot Noirs of immense depth, elegant structure and exceptional longevity as well as its aromatic, barrel-aged Russian River Valley Sauvignon Blanc, which is among the most sought after made in California. A single-vineyard Chardonnay and Late Harvest Sauvignon Blanc round out the portfolio.

Merry Edwards Winery has long produced a Russian River Valley appellation blend Pinot Noir that highlights the best characteristics of the AVA. That is also the goal in producing an Anderson Valley appellation blend Pinot Noir.

## WINEMAKING

The grapes for this wine come from vineyards located in the warmer Boonville area, from organic sources in Philo and the cool Deep End, making it a true reflection of the primary grape-growing zones of the valley.

Vineyard sources include:

- Carney Ranch: in the warm area near Boonville
- Dach Vineyard: a certified organic and biodynamic vineyard located at Domaine Anderson's winery home in Philo
- Pinoli Vineyard: in the sunny but cool Deep End of the valley where the fruit can hang long and ripen fully

Grapes were hand-picked and hand sorted in the field and at the winery. 100% destemmed with whole berries added to the fermenter and cold soaked for three days. Aged 10 months in 42% new French oak and bottled in July 2023.



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VARIETAL: 100% Pinot Noir

## AGING: 10 months in 42% new French oak

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