



2021  
**PINOT NOIR**  
SPRING HILL VINEYARD  
SONOMA COAST

There are any number of ways to assess a wine. *I like it / I don't like it* is one place to start but you're probably past that. So let's talk Integration. A wine that's integrated is one where all the components (acid, tannin, alcohol and so forth) are so perfectly entwined no one flavor or texture stands out. Such is the case with our 2021 Spring Hill Pinot Noir.

This fact puts the writer of tasting notes in a bind. If nothing stands out, what's there to talk about? With this wine you will get dark cherry, black plum and spice on the nose, and Bing cherry, wild strawberries and forest floor on the tongue. But none of those aromas or flavors present themselves "like a star in the mouth," to quote Karen MacNeil, but rather like a sphere. "A wine that is integrated is so round, so harmonious that there's no one thing to grab onto." But it's fun to try.

**VINEYARD:** *Spring Hill Vineyard, sustainably farmed.*

**CLONES:** *Calera, Swan, Pomard 5, Rootstock 101-14*

**HARVEST:** *17 Sept. 2021, 24 brix*

**FERMENTATION:** *Started native, finished with RC212; 50% whole cluster; 19 Days on skins.*

**INGREDIENTS:** *Hand picked grapes, tartaric acid, yeast, SO2. Nothing else added. Vegan friendly.*

**COOPERAGE:** *Louis Latour; Cadus*

**AGING:** *20 Mos, 40% new oak, 60% neutral*

5 BARRELS PRODUCED

