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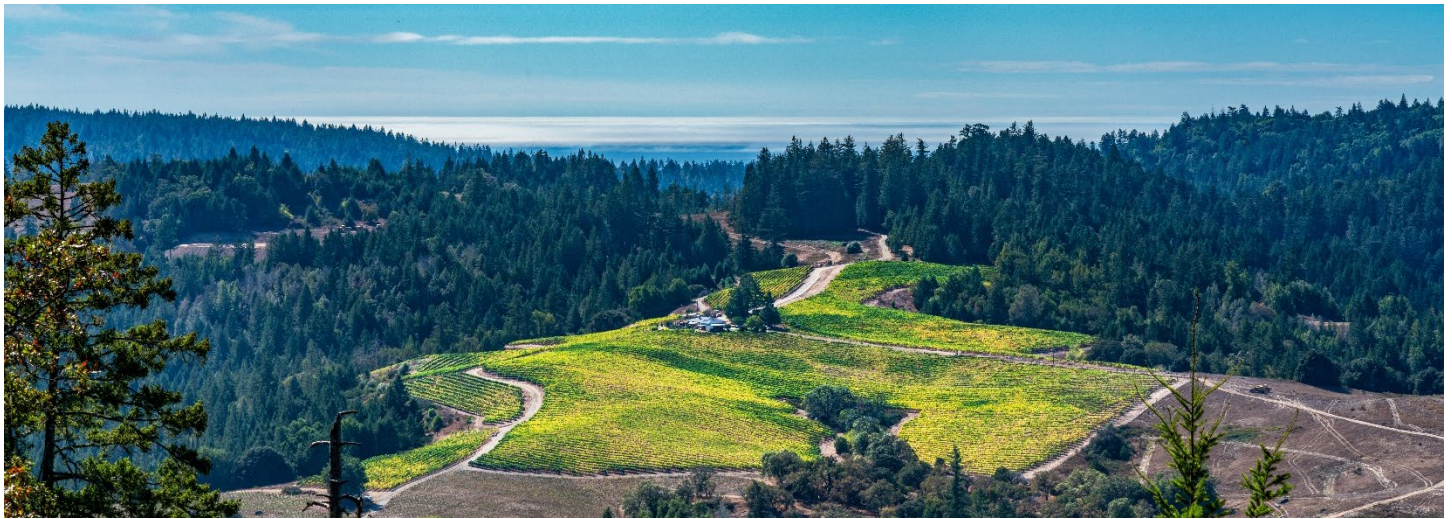
Family Vineyards

2016

‘JOLI CŒUR’

FORT ROSS - SEAVIEW PINOT NOIR

This Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir is made from the very best section of the ‘Côteaux Nobles’ vineyard, located on the eastern slope of the second ridge from the Pacific Ocean. This great and beautiful (*Joli*) plot is at the very center of the ranch, its heart (*Cœur*). Handcrafted using classical Burgundian winemaking techniques, we named this age-worthy wine after the French expression which references the intriguing and attractive character of Pinot Noir. It is the ‘Charming Character’ or ‘Joli Cœur.’



Proprietary name	‘Joli Cœur’
Name meaning	Beautiful heart of the vineyard Charming character of the Pinot Noir
Varietal composition	Pinot Noir
Type of wine	Vineyard designated
Appellation	Fort Ross-Seaview, Sonoma Coast
Vineyard singularity	On the second ridge from the Pacific Ocean 1100-1200 feet elevation; eastern exposure; Goldridge sedimentary soil
Typical harvest date	October
Picking	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
Sorting	Cluster-by-cluster & berry-per-berry by hand; Le Trieur™
Fermentation	Through native yeast; Punch downs in stainless steel tanks & French oak puncheons; Gyrobox™
Upbringing	14 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers
Bottling	Unfined, unfiltered
Ideal cellaring	4 to 6 years after harvest date
Arc of aging	20 to 25 years
Serving	59-61°F (15-16°C); Decant one hour prior to serving

TASTING NOTES

“Medium ruby-purple- colored, the 2016 ‘Joli Cœur’ reveals seductive exotic spices, raspberry pie, and candied violets scents with a core of chocolate-covered cherries and tilled soil plus a waft of truffles. Full-bodied, super concentrated and impactful in the mouth, it has a solid frame of velvety tannins and an epically long finish.”

99 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW
Robert Parker Wine Advocate, Oct. 2018

“The 2016 ‘Joli Cœur’ offers more Bing cherry and strawberry notes, with more floral and spice nuances developing with time in the glass. As with all of Luc’s wines, it’s beautifully balanced and pure, with ripe yet present tannin and a great finish.”

95 points

Jeb Dunnuck
JebDunnuck.com, June 2018

