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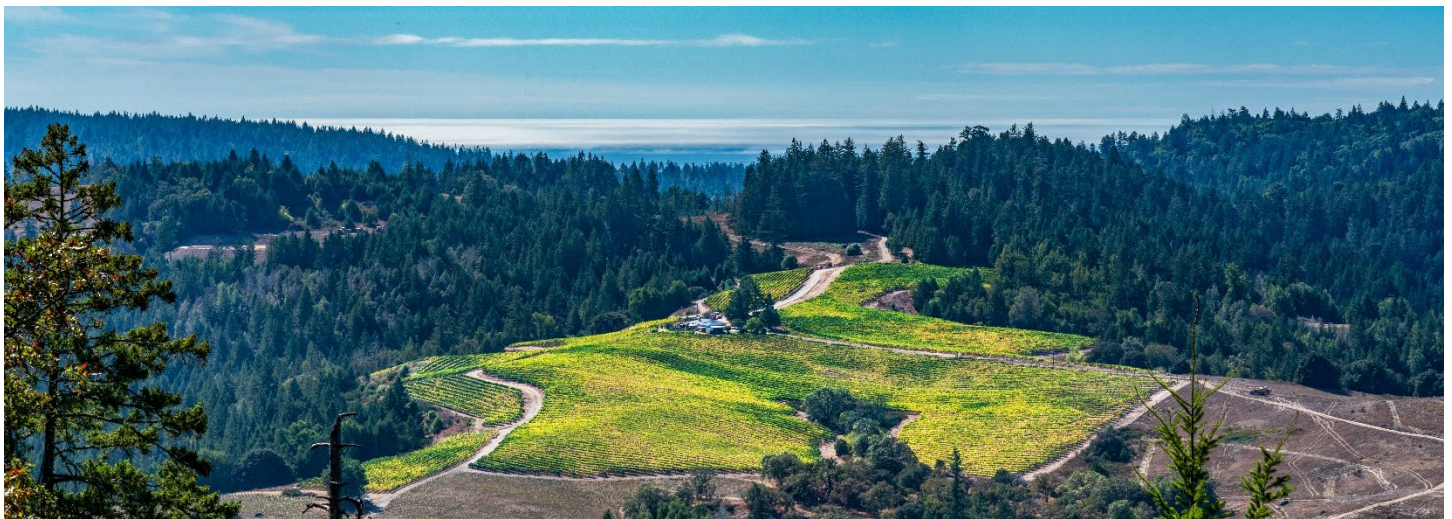
Family Vineyards

2016

‘EN FAMILLE’

FORT ROSS - SEAVIEW PINOT NOIR

For generations, our family has grown the Pinot Noir grape in France. When our children were young, we celebrated this commitment each harvest as they stomped a small vat of Pinot Noir from California’s Sonoma Coast. Handcrafted using classical Burgundian winemaking techniques, this special wine is dedicated to our grandparents, parents, and relatives from both countries. As with any family celebration or casual gathering, this wine is to be appreciated ‘En Famille.’



<i>Proprietary name</i>	‘En Famille’
<i>Name meaning</i>	With the family Five generations of Morlets working with Pinot Noir
<i>Varietal composition</i>	Pinot Noir
<i>Type of wine</i>	Vineyard designated
<i>Appellation</i>	Fort Ross-Seaview, Sonoma Coast
<i>Vineyard singularity</i>	On the second ridge from the Pacific Ocean 1100-1300 feet elevation; south-eastern exposure Goldridge sedimentary soil
<i>Typical harvest date</i>	October
<i>Picking</i>	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
<i>Sorting</i>	Cluster-by-cluster & berry-per-berry by hand; Le Trieur™
<i>Fermentation</i>	Through native yeast; Punch downs in stainless steel tanks & French oak puncheons; Gyrobox™
<i>Upbringing</i>	14 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers
<i>Bottling</i>	Unfined, unfiltered
<i>Ideal cellaring</i>	4 to 6 years after harvest date
<i>Arc of aging</i>	20 to 25 years
<i>Serving</i>	59-61°F (15-16°C); Decant one hour prior to serving

TASTING NOTES

“The 2016 ‘En Famille’ has more red fruits as well as a savage, wild, complex style. Kirsch, wild cherries, underbrush and load of spice, a rounded, seamless texture, no hard edges, and a great finish all make for one incredible Pinot Noir.”

*97 points
Jeb Dunnuck*

JebDunnuck.com, June 2018

“The medium to deep ruby-purple colored 2016 ‘En Famille’ features wonderfully provocative scents of roses, lavender, and cinnamon stick over a core of redcurrants and ripe raspberries with a waft of fungi. Full-bodied with a firm, very fine-grained frame, it has an electric line of freshness and red berry layers, finishing very long and very perfumed.”

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

