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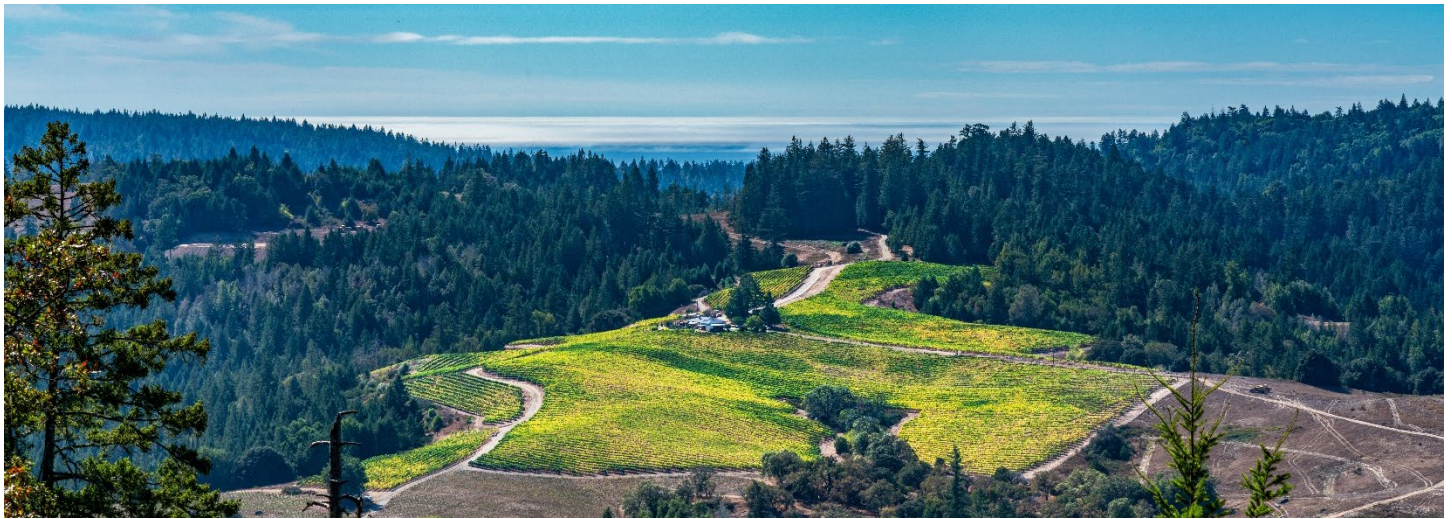
Family Vineyards

2018

‘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

“The 2018 ‘Joli Cœur’ has a seductive nose of rose oil, kirsch, chocolate-covered cherries, and cranberry preserves with hints of cinnamon stick, clove oil, wild mushrooms, and forest floor. The full-bodied palate delivers impactful, mouth-coating red berry flavors, supported by fine-grained tannins and bold freshness, finishing on a persistent mineral note.”

98 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

Robert Parker Wine Advocate, Jan. 2021

“The 2018 ‘Joli Cœur’ is another beautiful wine. Mulled raspberries, black cherries, violets, game, and exotic spice notes all emerge from the glass, and it’s a wonderfully complex, nuanced 2018 that has flawless balance, a beautiful spine of acidity, and a great finish. As with all of Luc’s wines, it has terrific richness and depth while staying weightless and elegant.”

98+ points

Jeb Dunnuck

JebDunnuck.com, Aug. 2020

