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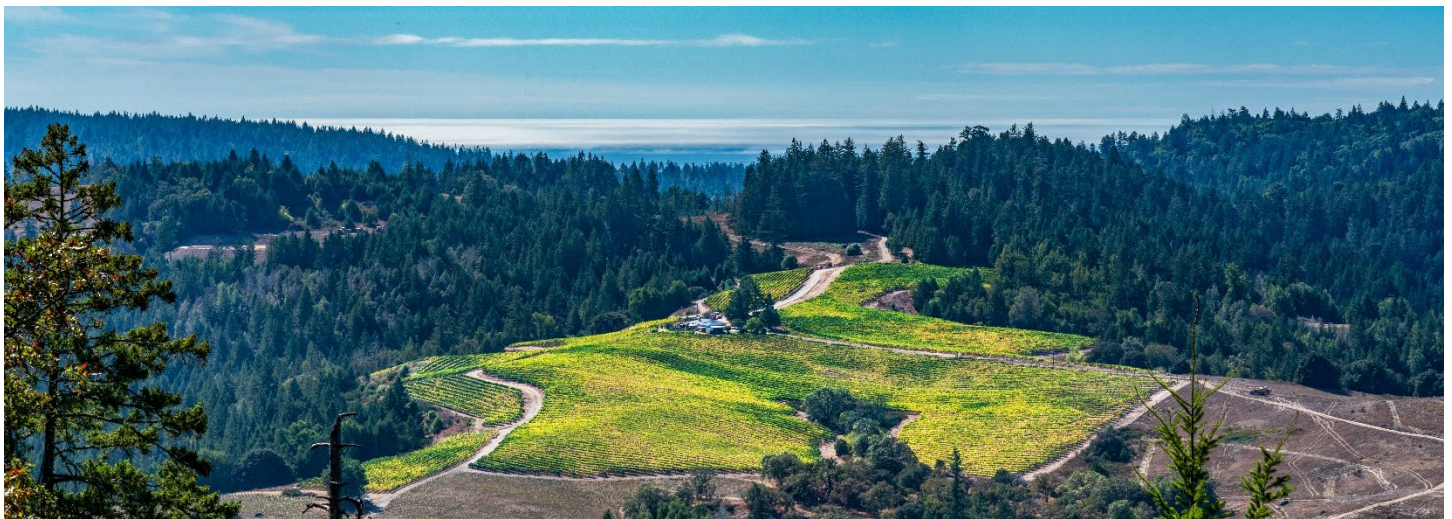
Family Vineyards

2021

‘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

“Medium to deep ruby-purple in color, the 2021 ‘En Famille’ pops out of the glass with vivacious scents of raspberry coulis, kirsch, and rose oil giving way to notes of aniseed, mossy tree bark, and cinnamon stick. The medium to full-bodied palate bursts with bold black berry and earthy accents, supported by grainy tannins and seamless freshness, finishing long and mineral-laced.” 97 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

The Wine Independent, Feb. 2024

“Pouring a dark ruby/magenta color, the 2021 ‘En Famille’ has a luxurious and polished feel, with notes of fresh leather, plush wild berries, violets, and forest earth. It has a great, plush texture, with velvety tannins, evenly balanced acidity, and a weightless feel that’s harmonious and seamless throughout. It’s ripe but never heavy and has incredible length as well as a wonderfully earth-noted finish and tremendous aging potential. It promises a lot of hedonistic enjoyment.”

98 points

Audrey Frick

JebDunnuck.com, June 2024

