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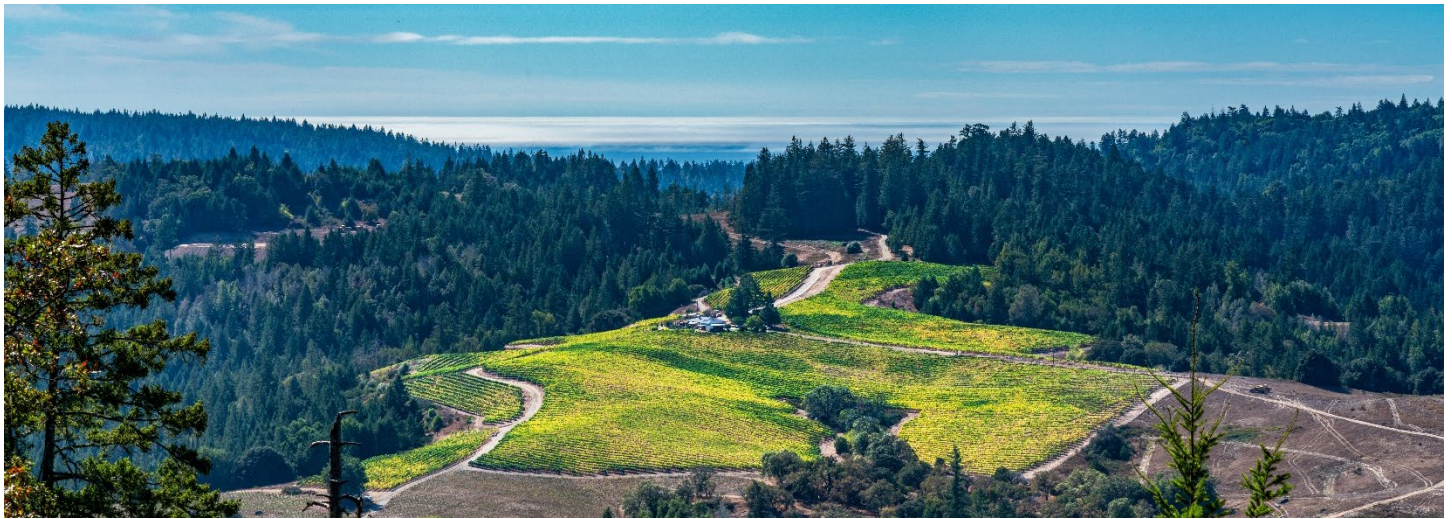
Family Vineyards

2022

‘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.’



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| 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 in color, the 2022 ‘Joli Cœur’ slowly emerges from the glass with a gorgeous perfume of black cherry preserves, fresh blackberries, and pomegranate opening out to underlying notes of wild sage, underbrush, and lavender. The medium to full-bodied palate offers exciting tension and a firm line of exquisitely ripe tannins to frame the vibrant black fruits, finishing long with a perfumed lift.”

96-98+ points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW
The Wine Independent, Feb. 2024

“The most mineral graphite-inflected of the wines in the Pinot Noir range, the 2022 ‘Joli Cœur’ is a ruby/magenta color and offers notes of dark cherries, mocha, lavender, and high-quality tea leaf. It’s long on the palate and has plush richness.”

98 points

Audrey Frick
JebDunnuck.com, June 2024

