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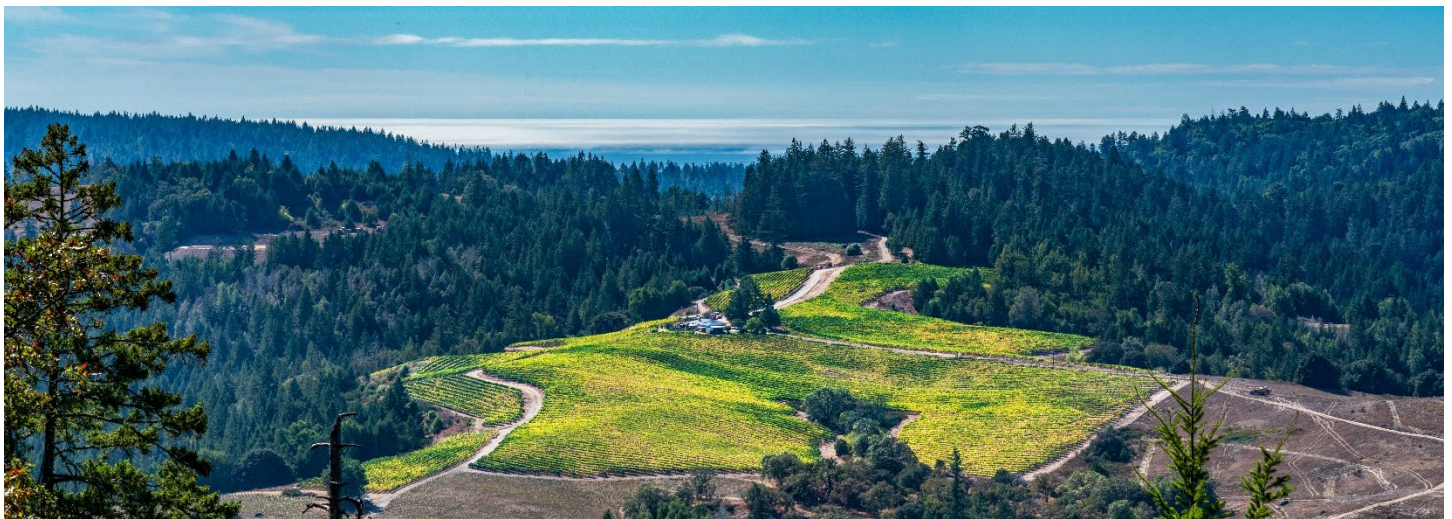
Family Vineyards

2022

‘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 ruby-purple in color, the 2022 ‘En Famille’ spills from the glass with notes of wild strawberries, cranberries, and lilacs plus nuances of moss, wet slate, and forest floor. Medium to full-bodied in the mouth, the red berry and earthy layers are superbly supported by fine-grained tannins and just enough freshness, finishing long and savory.”

96-98 points

Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW

The Wine Independent, Feb. 2024

“The 2022 ‘En Famille’ has a highly distinctive personality, with an earthy profile in the glass revealing aromas of fresh leather, porcini, dark minerals, and black raspberries. Ripe and long, it fills the palate with a plush feel, although it never gets out of balance, and it has a lovely, expansive feel, with ripe tannins. As it slowly tapers, it shows off a lightly earthy finish, but it remains clean and long.”

97 points

Audrey Frick

JebDunnuck.com, June 2024

