

## 2023

## 'CÔTEAUX NOBLES'

FORT ROSS - SEAVIEW PINOT NOIR

Located on the Sonoma Coast, on the eastern slope (Côte) of the second ridge from the Pacific Ocean, this unique hillside vineyard (Côteau) benefits from the cool maritime breeze and the mild and sunny mountain climate. The noble site's natural conditions are ideal for growing excellent Pinot Noir in the Goldridge soil. Handcrafted using classical Burgundian winemaking techniques, it is the 'Noble Hillsides' or 'Côteaux Nobles.'



Proprietary name 'Côteaux Nobles' Name meaning Noble hillsides

Noble Pinot Noir varietal

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

1350-1450 feet elevation; northern 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 2023 'Côteaux Nobles' has a refined, layered spice, with notes of fresh clove spice, sandalwood, subtle hints of wild mint, black raspberries, and wildflowers. It pours a youthful ruby red color and is medium to full-bodied, though it floats with refined tannins and layered spice through the long finish. This is a lovely vintage of this coastal wine."

97 points Audrey Frick JebDunnuck.com, July 2025

