# PATINÉ

Winemaker: Mike Smith | Production: 98 Cases Dijon Clones: 828 & 777 | 50% New French Oak

## **Vineyards**

Gap's Crown & Sun Chase Vineyards

#### **AVA**

Petaluma Gap AVA (Sonoma County)

#### Wine Profile

Playing off our inaugural 2019 vintage, the blend is a combination of the Sun Chase & the Gap's Crown vineyards. A blend that sets the bar for a quintessential appellation California Pinot Noir. Gap's Crown powerful and feral qualities are married with Sun Chase's vibrancy and purity to form a unique and captivating wine. Pure and driven aromas of red and dark fruits combine with a precise mid palate and lifted finish.

# **Palate Impressions**

The flavor profile of this wine evolves with every sip and may take you back to your youth when a nice cherry cola "hit the spot" and awakened your palate. It boasts pure fruit in both texture and taste. A small hint of wintergreen greets the nose, and a zest of white pepper lingers on the perfectly balanced finish. Don't be fooled by its light red color, as the wine packs a punch and will continue to do so over the next 5-7 years. Aged in 35% new French oak barrels.

## **Vineyard Context**

Sun Chase Vineyard is situated on the Southeastern edge of the Sonoma Coast appellation at 800 ft elevation. Sitting above the fogline, the vineyard overlooks the coveted Gap's Crown Vineyard. Fruit for this Sonoma Coast blend sources fruit from two of the top five vineyards in Sonoma County, Gap's Crown Vineyard and Sun Chase Vineyard.

