

PATINÉ

Winemaker: Mike Smith | Production: 74 Cases
Dijon Clones: 828 & 777 | 50% New French Oak

Vineyard

Sun Chase Vineyard

AVA

Petaluma Gap AVA (Sonoma County)

Wine Profile

This wine is pure and expressive, standing as a medium bodied counterpart to our 100% Whole Cluster variation. The floral perfume of wild strawberries, wilted roses enhances its elegance, while other red fruits give it a beautiful ripe and creamy texture.

Palate Impressions

Subtle spices and whispers of the forest floor interplay harmoniously with the prominent cherry and strawberry notes, culminating in a beautifully balanced finish lingers indefinitely. Block 14 is comprised of Dijon clone 777 which contributes the darker notes in the wine. Block 3 is comprised of clone 828 and nicely frames this wine with tension and verve. Aged in 50% new French oak barrels for 10 months.

Vineyard Context

Sun Chase Vineyard is situated on the Southeastern edge of the Sonoma Coast appellation at 800 ft elevation. Considered one of the top five vineyards in Sonoma County, Sun Chase consistently produces wines of great depth and complexity. The rocky hillside soils of this hillside gem are derived from volcanic parent material known as basalt which has a low concentration of magnesium but very rich in minerals which is ideal for cultivating premium Pinot Noir grapes.

