

PATINÉ

Winemaker: Mike Smith | Production: 49 Cases
Dijon Clones: 828 | 100% Neutral French Oak

Whole Cluster Limited Edition

Sun Chase Vineyard

AVA

Petaluma Gap AVA (Sonoma County)

Wine Profile

Luminous rays of vibrant ruby red fill the glass while still boasting a beautiful translucency to the rim. The structure is more fresh and lighter in comparison to its Sun Chase portfolio counterpart. This wine is delicate, showcasing its fruit with an alluring hint of crushed herbs and a touch of exotic spice revealing its whole cluster personality. Aged in neutral French oak barrels for 10 months.

Palate Impressions

This light and crisp wine coats the palate with notes of dark summer cherries, cola, and a zesty minerality allowing for a wonderful lingering finish that trails of red fruit and spice. The fruit comes through so brilliantly and pure that we decided to use no new oak on its elevage. Block 3 is comprised of clone 828 that is known to nicely frame a wine with tension and verve.

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.

