



SEQUANA

DUTTON RANCH
GREEN VALLEY of RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
PINOT NOIR
2007

APPELLATION

One of the smallest appellations on the Sonoma coast, Green Valley of Russian River Valley has a cool climate, a result of the fog that comes from the Pacific Ocean each evening. The cooler weather and well-drained Goldridge soils create an idyllic climate for growing Pinot Noir, yielding complex, elegant wines with well-balanced acidity. Pinot Noir achieves greatness here.

VINEYARD

The sustainably-farmed Dutton Family Ranch is located on gently sloping hillsides in the cool Green Valley of Russian River Valley. Three separate two-acre blocks are planted on well-drained Goldridge soils atop ancient sandstone marine terraces. The eight-year-old vines were planted with specifications on vine density, slope and direction, allowing exposure to both morning and afternoon sun. Six unique clones of Pinot Noir enhance the intrinsic complexity of this single vineyard wine. The Dutton family has played a pivotal role in shaping the wine quality of the Russian River Valley.



WINE

Pinot Noir specialist James MacPhail has complete control over the creation of Sequana's single vineyard wines. Grapes were hand-picked and hand-sorted, then cold-soaked prior to fermentation to maximize flavor and color extraction.

In small open-topped tanks, each block was fermented separately, using primarily native yeasts. Other lots were fermented with yeasts unique to each individual lot. Hand punch-downs extracted and elevated the Pinot Noir flavors and the wine was aged sur lie in French oak barrels for 11 months.



Concentrated aromas and flavors of wild berry, cherry, cranberry and strawberry mingle with spicy white pepper. Soft tannins and bright acidity balance the multitude of fruit flavors, which repeat through the long, lingering finish.

pH:	3.80
TA:	5.48g/L
ALC.:	14.9%
BARRELS:	40% New French Oak
COOPERS:	Rousseau / Remond / Billon / Damy / Cadus / Vicard / Dargaud & Jaegle / Mercurey / Sirugue / Leroi
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