# Kalpela

# **2017 Pinot Noir, MENDOCINO COUNTY**

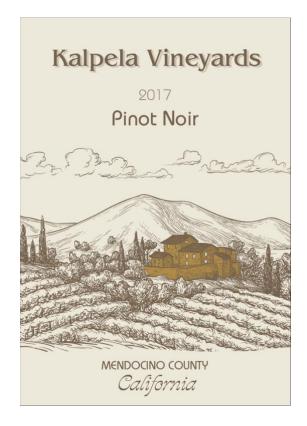
Kalpela Wines of Mendocino County are the namesake of the native American Pomo chief who our little local village Calpella was named. These wines are produced from many old-vine vineyards located in the hills and benchlands which overlook the headwaters of the beautiful Russian River. These extremely well-priced wines are not simple ordinary négociant wines which you find in this price category, but are fruit driven, complex and well-balanced wines produced and bottled at our winery in Redwood Valley. The wines are lovingly aged and or fermented in our forest of American and French oak barrels, again unusual for wines of this price. Kalpela's retro Napa Valley/European label depicts tradition, quality and value.

# WINE NOTES

Our Pinot Noir comes from several different Pinot Noir vineyards located in Mendocino County and Anderson Valley, one of which is on a beautiful benchland overlooking the Russian River. Keeping within the traditional method, the wine was aged for 36 months in neutral French Burgundy barrels. This vintage displays a rich ruby red color and lush aromas of strawberry jam, plum, black cherries and vanilla with hints of toasty oak. Uplifting flavors of ripe wild berries, red cherry, violets and a subtle note of earthiness combine to give this medium-bodied Pinot Noir a velvety mouth-feel. Soft, rounded tannins and balanced acidity lead into a long, lingering finish.

# FOOD RECOMMENDATIONS

Enjoy with stuffed pork chops, or rich wild game dishes. A plate of chicken Coq au Vin paired with this wine and a loved one is what the good life is all about.



# **FACT SHEET**

#### Harvest:

 $Hand\text{-}harvested \ September \ 10_{th}-October \\ 6_{th} \ 2017$ 

# **Length/Type of Fermentation:**

Crushed into open top fermenters with 4 days of cold soak, pumped over and punched down twice a day for 16 days.

### Length/Type of Aging:

Barrel aged a total of 36 months in combination of French and American oak.

Alcohol: 14.5%

**Total Acidity:** 0.65 g/100ml

**pH:** 3.61

Residual Sugar:

.05% (dry)

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