



# PIER AVENUE

## SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR 2015

This wine is a precise blend of eight unique lots produced from Sonoma Coast vineyards ranging from Occidental to the Petaluma Gap. Gap's Crown, Sangiacomo, Rodgers Creek and Walala Vineyards. Two new vineyard sources in particular Walala and Dorothy Cameron Vineyards represent key components used to produce this blend.

Pinot Noir clones 115, 828, 667, Pommard, and Wädenswil 2A add unique elements creating a complex Pinot Noir with a myriad of textures and flavors. The 2015 vintage of this wine is balanced and vibrant with lush textures that are characteristic of the Gap's Crown and Sangiacomo vineyard components. The 2015 vintage of this wine is balanced, vibrant and offers up lush textures and flavors that are representative of the beautiful Sonoma Coast AVA in California.

This wine exhibits a deep ruby color; the aromatics highlight bright baking spices along with complex dark cherry and blackberry aromas. The luscious mouthfeel is both broad and expansive on the palate; showcasing red licorice, dark cherry, along with notes of Moroccan spice with hints of cola. The silky texture belies the great structure and balance of this wine leading to a long and juicy finish.

The 2015 vintage started off quickly – an unusually warm winter and dry spring promoted early bud-break, with severe drought conditions continuing throughout the entire growing season. Vines responded by producing loose clusters and smaller berries, with an abundance of flavor and ripe tannins. It was one of the earliest harvests on record with lower than average yields. The resulting wine displays tremendous finesse, depth and aromatic intensity.

### Technical Data:

- 100% de-stemmed Pinot noir
- Open-top fermentation
- Native yeast
- 50% new French oak
- Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered
- Alcohol: 14.2%
- pH: 3.58
- TA: 5.85 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2017
- AVA: Sonoma Coast