



2018 MANZANITA VINEYARD SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR

94 points - James Suckling

The 2018 Manzanita Pinot Noir has a perfumed nose of black and bing cherry, carob, orange oil, bay leaves, baking spices, white pepper, and just a hint of leather. The palate begins with a very silky entry opening to a seamless mouthfeel with flavors of morello cherry, orange zest, sage, and cedar which persist through the long finish. Drinking beautifully now, this wine will age well in the near term.

Vintage Notes: Cooler, even season without much in the way of heat spikes or cold snaps. Canopies were healthy, full, and crop set was balanced. An easy growing vintage that made really beautiful wines of terrific balance, intensity, and texture. Readily accessible upon release but will also age well. The grapes were harvested from a two acre saddle, west of Santa Rosa. Goldridge soils, organically farmed by the Ulises Valdez Family.

VARIETY	100% Pinot Noir	OAK	Aged 18 months in French Oak, 40% new oak
VINTAGE	2018	ABV	14.6%
REGION	Sonoma Coast	HARVESTED	By hand, 3am September 17 th , 2018
VINEYARD	Manzanita Vineyard	SERVING TEMP	60-63° F
CASES PRODUCED	255	WINEMAKER	Helen Keplinger