
LIOCO

2021 *La Selva*
Anderson Valley
Pinot Noir

AROMA

raspberry pastille, violet, red currants

FLAVOR

Italian plum, crushed stone, orange Pekoe tea

FOOD PAIRINGS

wild boar sausages, duck confit, sautéed morel

VINIFICATION

3 tons hand-harvested and sorted between 9/13 and 10/4. All vineyards and clones fermented separately (15% whole cluster) in open-top tanks using wild yeasts. 4-day cold soaks preceded a daily punchdown and pump-over for balanced extraction during a 13-16 day fermentations. Aged for 10 months in once used French oak. Bottled without fining or filtration.

SITE

From a selection of premier vineyards in the deep end of the Anderson Valley. Pinot Noir clones 115, 777, and Swan planted 20+ years ago in varied soils of decomposed sandstone, clay, and fractured rock in elevations ranging from 400-1100 feet. Along with an omnipresent marine influence, this valley is defined by the presence of old growth redwood trees. *La Selva* means 'the forest' in Spanish.

NOTES

If you have been following along, you know LIOCO is ALL IN on the the Anderson Valley. We are captivated by the melange of ocean, and fog, and forest and the way these influences play out in the wines. The 2021 installment comes from selected blocks in the gorgeous Edmeades Vineyard, which was the first-ever vineyard planted in the AVA in 1963. The site is engulfed by redwood trees and tumbles down a hill into the Navarro River. You can always feels the ocean-born wind rippling through the vines. It's bucolic. And what of the wine? A singular Pinot Noir that telegraphs the characteristics of place—the purple flowers, the black raspberries and alpine strawberries, the pine sap. *La Selva* always gets us thinking about savory/salty dishes like Peking duck or tea-smoked wild salmon or tempura'd Maitake mushrooms.

DETAILS

Vineyard: Edmeades, Brashley
Appellation: Anderson Valley
County: Mendocino
Winemaker: Drew Huffine
Production: 150 cases
Anticipated maturity: 2023-2027

pH: 3.53
Brix 22.2-23.8°
Total acidity: 6.2 g/l
Residual sugar: 0.1 g/l
Alcohol: 13.1%
Yield 3 T/acre
Clones: Swan, 115 & 777
Harvest dates: 9/14-10/4
Bottling dates: 7/12/2022

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