



# JOEL GOTT

CA 2019  
PINOT NOIR

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APPELLATION CALIFORNIA  
*Santa Barbara, Monterey*

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BARREL 14% NEW FRENCH OAK  
29% 1-2-YEAR-OLD FRENCH OAK

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VARIETAL 100% PINOT NOIR

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## TASTING NOTES

The Joel Gott 2019 California Pinot Noir has aromas of cherries and cherry cola with notes of toasted cedar and baking spices. The wine opens with bright fruit flavors followed by soft, velvety tannins on the mid-palate and a long, elegant finish.

## VINEYARD NOTES

We source fruit for this blend from vineyards within Santa Barbara County and Monterey, both part of the Central Coast AVA, because of its ideal growing conditions for creating the style of Pinot Noir that we like to make. Vineyards closest to the coast in the Sta. Rita Hills appellation experience cool, foggy mornings and warmer afternoons, bringing out well-developed fruit flavors in the grapes. Fruit from the cool, marine influenced Monterey appellation experiences a longer hang time resulting in slow, even ripening bringing out bright, fruit flavors and well-balanced acidity.

## HARVEST NOTES

Across California in 2019, the growing season was long and even, with moderate winter rains resulting in a later than usual bud break. Cool spring temperatures followed by warm temperatures in the summer and fall, caused us to pick our fruit in September. These conditions allowed fruit to ripen evenly at a steady pace, making for a well-balanced wine.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

Following harvest, a small number of lots from the Santa Rita Hills appellation within the larger Santa Barbara appellation were fermented in open-top fermenters, helping to retain the varietal's fruit flavors and tannin structure adding complexity to the blend. The wine was aged mostly in stainless steel to help preserve the wine's fruit and acidity with the balance being aged in new and 1-2-year-old French oak barrels to help soften the tannins.

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PH: 3.68      TA: 5.5 g/L      RS: 0.7 g/L      ALC. 13.9%

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