2022 PINOT NOIR NEW CLONAL SERIES

WINERY EXCLUSIVE | 100 CASES PRODUCED EACH

Clonal diversity is crucial to the uniqueness of Cristom's estate vineyards and its Pinot Noir expressions. With over 1,000 clones of Pinot Noir, variants adapt and thrive in different climates and impart distinct aroma and flavor characteristics and levels of tannins and body on the wine's style.

This Clonal series of micro-lot wines allows the examination of how isolated Pinot Noir clones from one estate site result in different wine expressions. For the inaugural 2022 vintage, we focused on three clones from our Eileen Vineyard. This site is among our farm's highest elevation, has our most wind-swept vines, and the most diverse collection of Pinot Noir clonal selections, with Pommard, Wädenswil, Mt. Eden, Swan, Calera, and Dijon clones 114, 115, and 777.





2022 Pinot Noir, 114 Clone, Eileen Vineyard

This micro-lot of estate-grown Pinot Noir spotlights Clone 114 and how, in combination with our terroir, it exhibits fragrant, earthy aromas and savory and spicy characters. Pronounced aromas of red licorice, bright red fruits, bay leaf, and wood ear mushroom. A nice density of fruit with a light bramble character and herbaceous and anise notes. Elevated acidity, great tension, and low tannin make it excellent for food pairing.

56% whole cluster and native yeast fermentations. Aged 15 months in 25% new French oak barrels. Unfined, unfiltered.



2022 Pinot Noir, 777 Clone, Eileen Vineyard

This micro-lot of estate-grown Pinot Noir spotlights Clone 777 and how, in combination with our terroir, it exhibits sultry aromas, bright acidity, and robust dark fruit flavors. Dense, dark cherries, cola, roses, and a touch of woodiness are present on the nose. The wine is structured with powdery tannins and a lingering finish.

49% whole cluster and native yeast fermentations. Aged 15 months in 25% new French oak barrels. Unfined, unfiltered.



2022 Pinot Noir, Wädenswil Clone, Eileen Vineyard

This micro-lot of estate-grown Pinot Noir spotlights the Wädenswil Clone and how, in combination with our terroir, it exhibits herbaceous, spicy, and earthy characters. Broodingly savory, with black cherry and floral and dried herb aromas of thyme, oregano, fennel, and cumin seed. Lean and spicy on the palate with bramble, black tea, and cacao.

65% whole cluster and native yeast fermentations. Aged 15 months in 25% new French oak barrels. Unfined, unfiltered.

