

# 2016 PINOT NOIR

## ABOUT BLOCK NINE

Our family started Block Nine in response to changes in the Pinot Noir market. Demand for moderately priced Pinot Noir has spiked over the last few years. Large, mass marketed brands brought most of the Pinot to the market leaving consumers with few choices of smaller production Pinot Noir from California. This is our focus.

We make only Pinot Noir.

## WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

The 2016 Block Nine Pinot is beautifully long and rich in ripe cherry and berry flavors. The aromas exhibit generous bright fruit with a mix of strawberry, violets, plum, tea, and a hint of clove. Flavorful and silky in the mouth with good body, this wine is seductive showing wild cherries and a hint of sandalwood to complete its complex finish. The 2016 growing season was generous is length and consistent temperatures. Flavors were strong at harvest and we think 2016 will prove to be a terrific vintage.

## WINEMAKER LARRY LEVIN

After completing his Enology degree at UC Davis, Larry spent seventeen years at Dry Creek Vineyard. He has since covered the globe by making wine in New Zealand, Chile, and Australia. He previously was head of winemaking at Franciscan, Mt. Veeder, Robert Mondavi, Estancia, Ravenswood, and Quintessa brands.



#### **WINE SUMMARY**

**Appellation:** California

Aging: 100% French Oak

Release Date: March 2017

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

Alcohol: 13.5% pH: 3.71 Acidity: .63

