

# ÆQUOREA

## 2021 PINOT NOIR

### SEAFARER

### SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST

#### ABOUT THE WINE

Seafarer is all about showcasing a balanced profile of fruit, texture, spice and coastally-influenced complexity that defines the San Luis Obispo Coast. All of our vineyards are between 1.5-6 miles from the ocean, making this wine a true example of coastal terroir. In 2021, the blend is based around Spanish Springs Vineyard (68%), along with smaller portions of Greengate Ranch (16%) Rincon Vineyard (10%), and Derbyshire (6%).

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

Each vineyard block was hand picked and sorted twice prior to processing into small open-top fermentors. Spanish Springs saw some subtle (10-15%) whole cluster inclusion, as did Rincon. Greengate and Derbyshire were 100% destemmed. The fruit was cold-soaked for 3 days, followed by a warm fermentation at 78-88F that lasted for 18-25 days with hand punchdowns. Lots were pressed directly to 265L and 300L French oak barrels, 10% new, for 9 months of elevage. Unfined and unfiltered.

#### TASTING NOTES

High-toned notes of spice and ripe red fruit (cranberry, strawberry) dominate the nose, along with red rose petal and subtle and umami notes. The palate bursts forth with juicy fruit notes of fresh cherry and strawberry preserves, along with a great burst of freshness and acidity to balance the textural mid palate. Echoes of sweet, toasty oak, sassafras, and watermelon carry into a beautiful finish.

#### TECHNICAL DATA

**VINEYARDS:** Spanish Springs, Greengate, Rincon, Derbyshire

**CLONES:** 2A, 667, 115

**ALCOHOL:** 14.0%

**PH:** 3.73

**TA:** 5.6g/L

**ELEVAGE:** 11 months in 10% new French oak barrels

**PRODUCTION:** 371 cases



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