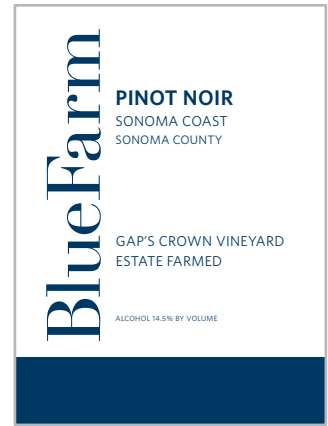


2023 Pinot Noir, Gap's Crown Vineyard, Sonoma Coast

Case Production: 338 / **SRP:** \$85.00

Gap's Crown is one of the highly acclaimed North Coast vineyards known for its layered Pinot Noirs. We work with two blocks, block 13, Dijon 777 and block 8, Dijon 667. Block 13 is close to the southeast corner of the vineyard on gravelly clay loam and block 8 is an elevated plain overlooking block 13. The soils are rocky clay loam. The tiny berries of block 13, Dijon 777, are the backbone, giving the wine its structure. Block 8, Dijon 667, brings the perfume and mouthfeel. The wine is elegant and racy, a true representation of the Sonoma Coast AVA.



Closest Town: Petaluma

AVA: Sonoma Coast

Varietal: Pinot Noir

Planted: Early 2000s

Clone(s): Dijon 777/667

Rootstock: 420 A, 3309

Soil Type: Goulding Series

Aspect: 667 – Flat; 777 – Southern Sloping

Row Orientation: Southwest/Northeast

The Vintage

The 2023 vintage will be remembered for many reasons. It was one of our wettest years in a long time, with over 40 inches of rain here in Carneros. Flowering was one of the latest on record, June 6, followed by one of the latest harvests. In 2022, we had all of our grapes picked by September 15; in 2023 we had not even started. Our first lot was the 1861 Vineyard, which came in on September 24. The first week of October was very busy for us, bringing in fruit from the Estate Anne Katherina Vineyard, Zio Tony Vineyard and Gap's Crown Vineyard. Our fruit was clean and the beautiful slow ripening helped develop delicate layers, soft tannins and intense flavors. Due to the cool weather, the acidity was maintained and added great structure to these delicious wines. 2023 was a year of patience, lots of canopy work, and trust. I am excited to share these wines with you.

Vintage: 2023

Harvest Date: October 9, 2023

Harvest Brix: 25.5

Harvest pH: 3.57

Harvest TA: 5.3

Days in Tank: 18 days

Type of Tank: Small Open Top Stainless Steel

Barrel Program: 43% New French Oak – Atelier, Cadus, Millard

Bottling Date: March 21, 2025

Bottling % Alcohol: 14.2%

Case Production: 338

SRP: \$85

Blue Farm

Founded on Anne Moller-Racke's 40-plus years of winegrowing in Sonoma, Blue Farm was conceptualized in 2001 during her planting of Anne Katherina, Blue Farm's first estate vineyard. Blue Farm believes that an intimate understanding and connection to our vineyards is core to making site-specific Chardonnay and Pinot Noir of the highest quality.

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