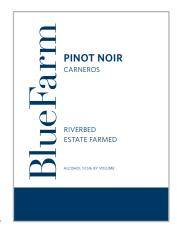
## 2023 Pinot Noir, Anne Katherina Vineyard - Riverbed, Carneros

Case Production: 148 / SRP: \$95.00

Blue Farm takes its name from the farmhouse at Anne Moller-Racke's home and vineyard in Carneros. In 2001, Anne planted seven acres of Pinot Noir divided into three blocks dedicated to the Swan clone and three Dijon clones. In 2017, Anne grafted one of her favorite clones, Calera, onto a 115 portion of her vineyard with the goal to make a special bottling. 2018 was the first vintage ever made. It speaks of the Anne Katherina Vineyard, with great structure and layered expression. The philosophy: site determines quality; clone offers personality. This clone adds finesse and layers to the structure the site offers.



Closest Town: Downtown Sonoma Clone(s): Calera
AVA: Carneros Rootstock: 101-14

Varietal: Pinot Noir Soil Type: Gravelly clay loam

Planted: 2001 Aspect: Flat

Grafted: 2017 Row Orientation: East/West

## 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 Type of Tank: Small Open Top Stainless Steel

Harvest Date: October 5, 2023 Barrel Program: 50% New French Oak – Atelier,

Harvest Brix: 23.2 Millard

Harvest pH: 3.65

Bottling Date: March 21, 2025

Harvest TA: 5.2

Bottling % Alcohol: 13.5%

Days in Tank: 16 days

Case Production: 148

SRP: \$95

## **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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