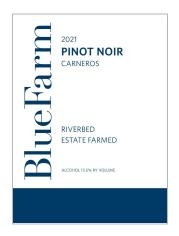
## 2021 Pinot Noir, Anne Katherina Vineyard - Riverbed, Carneros

Case Production: 97 / 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. 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

2021 saw very little rain with a total rainfall of 10 inches, far below our average of 22 inches. The rain came in small increments through March. A mild January and February combined with dry soils caused an early bud break. Those tender shoots were caught by surprise by the cold March and April nights. We had to run our wind machine for many nights. Shoot growth was slowed by these cold night temperatures, but made up in late May and June. We suckered early to eliminate any competition and used organic foliar nutrients to add to the vine health. Our summer was mild, easing our irrigation needs. We only saw a few high temperatures in late August and early September which pushed harvest into gear. Low yields but beautiful fruit/ wines were the reward of 2021.

Vintage: 2021 Type of Tank: Open top stainless steel

Harvest Date: September 14th Barrel Program: 50% new French oak – Atelier,

Harvest Brix: 23.4 Francois Freres

Harvest pH: 3.5 Bottling Date: March 17, 2023
Harvest TA: 5.7 Bottling % Alcohol: 13.5

Days in Tank: 17 days Case Production: 97

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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