

# 2021 Terra de Promissio Vineyard Pinot Noir

## WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Pinot Noir is about perfume and Terra de Promissio consistently epitomizes that. Delicate aromas of red cherry, fresh flowers, dried herbs, and citrus all meld together in a subtle way that offers wonderful balance. Similarly in the mouth, the wine has terrific purity that is seductive and alluring. Very refined in tannin structure and modest in acidity, the wine reaches a terrific sense of balance.

### THE VINEYARD

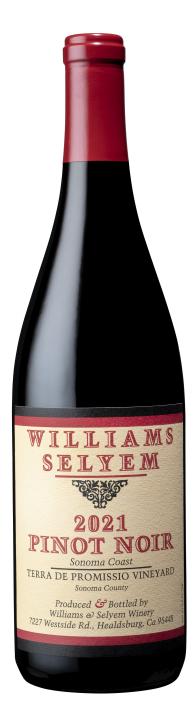
"The Land of Promise" is family owned and operated by husband and wife team Charles and Diana Karren. The Karren's bought a 50 acre dairy ranch in 1999 and planted over 33,000 Pinot Noir vines on 32 acres in 2002. Terra de Promissio had its first harvest in 2005.

### HARVEST 2021

The 2021 growing season experienced only about 14 inches of rain, challenging the plants from the outset of the year. Late winter and early spring were cold and dry, bringing some uneven growth and stress to the plants. The canopies were a little smaller than average going into the flowering, however the weather was ideal and mild. Flowering determines quality and quantity, so it is the most important time. The 2021 season yielded an average to slightly below average crop size with outstanding quality. Largely, the growing season saw mild temperatures but with several scattered heat events. 2021 thankfully saw the return of the fog, which saved the vintage by keeping the nighttime temperatures cool, refreshing the plants, and keeping them hydrated under severe conditions. Due to the changing climate, fog intrusion has been minimal the last few vintages. The 2021 season finished up around the historical average for temperatures. Despite the inauspicious start to the year, the wines showcase terrific verve, character, and site specificity.

#### TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 63% new, 37% 1yr. Barrel Aged: 15 months pH: 3.54 TA: 0.62g/100mL Alc: 13.5% Released Spring 2023 \$75



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