

2016 Mendocino Ridge Tripp's Block Pinot Noir

This vintage of Tripp's Block is so exciting to us that we want to shout about it on rooftops. This wine is a star - the intensity of the aromatics are apparent even before the wine hits the glass. The Perli Vineyard benefited from the low yields of the 2016 vintage, producing the most concentrated edition of this bottling to date.

The combination of 20% whole-cluster fermentation and 33% new French oak produces an intoxicating spice-box/angostura bitters nose reminiscent of a Manhattan that weds magically with the inherent spicy fruit from this vineyard. The intensity of the 2016 may make it hard to cellar, but with all of its structure and verve, many delicious years lie ahead for this wine.

Vineyard Notes:

Hidden within Mendocino's redwood forests, Perli Vineyard is one of the most exceptional Pinot Noir sites we have come across. High above the fog line at 2,000 feet, Tripp's Block is a unique parcel of the vineyard that produces a wine that is hedonistic and incomparable.

Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak

33%

Composition

100% Pinot noir

Barrel Aging

18 months

Alcohol

14.5%

Bottling Date

March 12th, 2018

Production

298 cases

~20% Whole Cluster · Native Ferment/Native ML

