

## 2017 "Jon Boat" Pinot Noir



### *Vineyard Notes:*

Deciding on a name for the Jon Boat Pinot Noir was somewhat challenging. While all of our other wines are single-vineyard, single-varietal, and are named after the vineyards where the fruit is from, the "Jon Boat" Pinot is comprised of fruit from multiple vineyards in the Sonoma Coast appellation. Therefore, Jamey needed to get creative when choosing a name.

Growing up in the Carolinas, he spent a lot of time fishing & crabbing on his Jon Boat. At Whetstone, Jamey has cultivated an elegant, yet approachable style that marries his southern roots and Napa Valley's rich heritage. On our logo you will find the sea oats that grow on sand dunes in South Carolina, so "Jon Boat" seemed like a perfectly fitting name for a wine comprised of juice from all over the Sonoma Coast, and keeps up with our blend of Southern charm and Wine Country Luxury.

From a collection of vineyards throughout the Sonoma Coast Appellation. Normal to just below-average yields across the board. Rainy Winter, late Spring, several really hot, hot weeks during mid Summer.

### *Winemaker's Tasting Notes:*

Stainless Steel fermented, aged for 10 months sur lees in 20% new French Oak, sur lees. Bottled unfinned/unfiltered. Ruby red in color, ripe nose of candied raspberry, dark cherry, and floral rose petal tea. Background notes of bing cherry & freshly picked mint and tarragon. Medium-bodied, vibrant flavors of velvety plum and red berry fruits. Secondary flavors of ripe cranberry tea, cherry cola, citrus peel, and hints of tobacco give way to long, ripe tannins and bright finish.

### *Production:*

427 Cases

### *Alcohol:*

14.0%

### *Date Harvested:*

September 8th + 9th

