

## FLANAGAN

## 2020 PINOT NOIR Platt Vineyard

APPELLATION Sonoma Coast

HARVEST DATE September 9th, 2020

pH 3.54
TA 6
ABV 14%
CASES PRODUCED 50

BARREL REGIMEN Barrel fermented and then aged in Atelier

barrels. 10% new

RELEASE DATE October 2022

## VINTAGE NOTES

The 2020 growing season was an unusual one in many ways. We had decent rain in late 2019 and consistent moderate rain through May of 2020. Fruit set was normal. After May things dried out, as they usually do, but there were no fall rains at all. The fall of 2020 is when the drought started, and that heavily impacted 2021. The severe lack of rain at the end of 2020 led to very weak shoot growth and low crop yields in 2021. This will continue to affect the vines in 2022. All that aside, the fires that started August 18th had the largest impact on the 2020 growing season. On August 21st the fires reached the ridge line about 1000 yards behind our estate vineyards.

In 2020 the only red grapes we harvested were the Pinot Noir grapes from our Platt Vineyard. Platt is all the way out in Bodega and only about 2.5 miles from the ocean. The prevailing winds blow out of the Northwest and that kept most of the smoke inland, and away from Platt.

## TASTING NOTES

The 2020 Flanagan Pinot Noir Platt Vineyard has a pretty nose with a hint of cinnamon spice, black fruits, and limestone. On the palate the wine has Pomegranate, Cranberry, and wet rock. It is a complex wine and one I really enjoy.

Our wine making is focused on balance and allowing the sites and the vintage to express themselves. The result is a wine that is delightful to drink now that will also age gracefully for many years.

