

JOSEPH PHELPS

V I N E Y A R D S

Pinot Noir

QUARTER MOON VINEYARD

2021 Vintage



TASTING NOTES The 2021 is a densely layered aromatically fragrant wine with dark fruit, cassis, clove, summer savory, and wild mushroom nuances. This latest vintage balances tension and freshness with aplomb setting the stage for a vibrant palate with a core of ripe blueberry and black cherry, followed by notes of dried lavender and black pepper along the finish.

GROWING SEASON The 2021 Sonoma Coast vintage is marked as having exceptionally high quality for both red and white varieties. The 2021 Pinot Noir budbreak and bloom were similar to the 2020 season, both taking place slightly later than the five-year average. Veraison and harvest were within a few days of our five-year average with no heat spikes during the growing season. The long, mild growing season allowed for extended hang time and exceptional flavor development.

WINEMAKING NOTES

VARIETAL BREAKDOWN

▮ 100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARD SELECTIONS

100% estate fruit from our Quarter Moon Vineyard in the town of Freestone, Sonoma Coast AVA.

BARREL AGING

The wine was aged for fourteen months in 45% new and 55% one-to-three year-old French oak barrels before bottling.