



# 2017 Umino Vineyard

Pinot Noir | Russian River Valley



## The Vineyard

*The Umino Vineyard is owned and farmed by Dave Umino, a fifth generation Japanese American from a Central Valley farming family. In 1995, after a career as a forensic metallurgist, Dave Umino planted this vineyard southwest of Sebastopol at the top of Blucher Valley in what is unofficially referred to as the Sebastopol Hills of the Russian River Valley AVA. Planted to Pinot Noir Dijon clones 777, 667, 115 and 459 this vineyard replaced an old apple orchard. Cold maritime air funnels through the hills to moderate ripening of the fruit which produces wines of exceptional depth, concentration and character.*

## Tasting Notes

*The big boy in the lineup. An inky purple color introduces this impressive wine. Intense aromas of roasted grains, ripe summer blackberries, vanilla crème, and violets fill the bowl. Dense flavors of ripe cherries and blackberries are highlighted by hints of roasted coffee and chocolate. The finish possesses youthful, silky tannins that dance gracefully with the blue fruit and umami flavors. The most pleasing of the Vineyard Designates now, but like all of the Spell single vineyard wines; designed to age. A vigorous decant is recommended if you decide to pull the cork in the next 6 to 12 months. Drink over the next 10+ years.*

## Vinification

Harvested: September 16, 2017  
Clones: Dijon 459, 115 and 777  
Oak: 100% French; 33% New, 33% once used, and 33% older  
Alcohol: 14.4%  
PH: 3.55  
TA: 6.2 g/L  
Bottled: August 22, 2018

52 Cases produced | Released April 1, 2019