



Sourced from "La Cruz Vineyard" in the Petaluma Gap, Sonoma Coast, Casa wines produces Chardonnay and Pinot Noir for everyday enjoyment. We know that well-farmed grapes produce healthy wines that enjoyed in moderation are part of a balanced life.



## 2019 CASA PINOT NOIR

### THE VINES

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The ancient seabed of the San Pablo Bay is mineral-rich, with clay soils that define La Cruz Vineyard. This site located in the lower portion of the Sonoma Hills close to the Petaluma River. Typical to this vineyard is a bright acidity.

### 2019 VINTAGE

The 2019 vintage was vastly characterized by a series of environmental challenges, putting vineyard crews and winemakers to the test. The season started with record breaking rainfall and flooding leading to a relatively cool spring, slightly delaying bud break with harvest time trending well into September. Unusually heavy rainfall in May luckily did not cause disruption in yields since flowering had not yet begun in the majority of the vineyards. Average, stable temperatures throughout the summer lead to a nice, steady grape development with perfect balances of acid and sugar. Come harvest, we were met with a curveball of extreme spikes in temperature and fire hazards calling for strategic and smart picking decisions. This historic season accompanied with the smart decision making of our team, lead to fantastically complex, dynamic wines that, much like the season, are historical.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Casa by Keller Estate Pinot Noir is fermented with native yeast, after a 5-day cold soak. Aged in 20% new French oak, the wine shows a bright garnet color, red cherry, and a hint of spices. Typical of the La Cruz wines is the balanced and mouthwatering acidity.

Harvest Date..... September 2, 2019  
pH..... 3.68  
Alcohol..... 14.3%  
Total Acidity:..... 5.63  
Bottling Date..... August 2020  
Cases..... 2587  
SRP..... \$28

### WINEMAKING

Our winemaking style is a blend of classic and contemporary: contemporary equipment and meticulous processes paired with hands-on minimalistic winemaking techniques. Our philosophy is to produce wines that express the unique terroir from which they came, and our passion. The fruit and dirt lead the way. Our goal is to make honest wines.

### OUR TEAM

Ana Keller created Casa Wines as a new line she, her family and friends could enjoy every day. Ana directs farming and winemaking at her family's property in Sonoma County since 1998. Among Ana's many achievements was her instrumental work in the creation of the Petaluma Gap AVA, bringing recognition to this new emerging wine region.