



# BRAVIUM

*Anderson Valley*

PINOT NOIR

2019



#### VINEYARD INFORMATION:

Wiley Vineyard was planted in 1972 in the famed “Deep End”, the westernmost portion of Anderson Valley. Wiley is a true cool-climate site, resting on benchlands just nine miles from the Pacific Ocean. This historic vineyard was one of the first planted to Pinot Noir in Anderson Valley and has a Southern aspect and shallow Franciscan soil. My Pinot Noir is blended from 20 acres of vines comprised by clones 37, 115, 538, 667, 777 and Pommard selections planted in 1982. This complexity in the vineyard contributes to the finished wine’s intriguing floral aromas and silky texture. Encircled by ridges sprinkled with conifers, this former homestead exemplifies the sublime beauty of Anderson Valley. I am now honored and privileged to farm Wiley Vineyard, truly world-class terroir.

#### 2019 GROWING SEASON:

Favorable conditions at the start of the growing season – specifically bud break and flowering – in Anderson Valley were followed by uneventful weather throughout the year, save a small dose of late rain in May. Steady, even ripening allowed harvest to occur at precisely the right time, without any heat spikes. I am fortunate to be growing grapes in such close proximity to the Pacific Ocean and its moderating influence. Grape yields were above average and quality was exceptional in this temperate vintage.

#### WINEMAKER COMMENTS:

From the far reaches of Mendocino County, this wine is prototypical Anderson Valley Pinot Noir, a delicious combination of savory aromas and ripe fruit flavors. Ruby red in color, this Pinot Noir offers up a melange of cherry cola, clove spice, pennyroyal mint, sage, rose petal, and damp soil. The juicy entry leads to mouth-filling, lightly crunchy cherry and berry patch flavors. The velvet-textured mid-palate is full of fruit, with medium acidity and mocha and cola notes evident on the seamless finish.

#### VARIETAL:

100% Pinot Noir

#### APPELLATION:

Anderson Valley

#### HARVEST DATES:

September 25 and  
October 1, 2019

#### RELEASE DATE:

April 1, 2021

#### ALCOHOL:

13.1%

#### PH:

3.6

#### TA:

5.9 g/L

#### AGED:

10 months in French and  
Hungarian oak [20% New]

#### COOPERAGES:

Billon, Damy, Kadar, and  
Taransaud

#### CASES PRODUCED:

1,507 6/750 mL

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Linguistic origin: Latin / Meaning: prize, reward, gift

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