



# BRAVIUM

*Wiley Vineyard*

ANDERSON VALLEY  
PINOT NOIR

2019



#### VINEYARD INFORMATION:

Vines were established at Wiley Vineyard in 1972, making it the first vineyard to be planted in the westernmost portion of Anderson Valley now commonly known as the “Deep End.” Wiley is a true cool-climate site, resting on benchlands just nine miles from the Pacific Ocean. This vineyard is renowned for its bucolic setting and finessed wines produced from 40 year old vines rooted in sandstone soils. I am 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:

This elegant wine is a study in balance and complexity. 33% whole clusters were included in small stainless steel fermenters, with each vineyard block being fermented separately. Ruby red color with exotic aromas of lilac, rose petals, Asian spice, pepper, herbs, and soil. Red and blue fruits dominate the flavors and are joined by sumptuous mocha and detailed mandarin orange notes on the moderately tannic, velvety finish. This full-bodied Wiley Vineyard Pinot Noir is accessible today yet it will age gracefully for decades.

#### VARIETAL:

100% Pinot Noir

#### APPELLATION:

Anderson Valley

#### HARVEST DATES:

September 25 and 27, 2019

#### RELEASE DATE:

August, 2021

#### ALCOHOL:

13.1%

#### PH:

3.6

#### TA:

5.9 g/L

#### AGED:

10 months in French and Hungarian oak barrels [25% New]

#### COOPERAGES:

Damy, Francois Freres, Kadar, Rousseau, and Taransaud

#### CASES PRODUCED:

498 6/750 mL

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