

WAYPOINT

2016 Waypoint Pinot Noir “Brown Ranch” Carneros

Owned by Denise and Oscar Renteria, this 40-acre parcel situated among the rolling hills of Carneros has 29 acres planted and provides the perfect sight for growing cool-climate Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Its unique mix of soil types and expositions, combined with the cooling influence of the San Pablo, are what has made this land so attractive to winemakers for almost three decades. It continues to churn out superlative fruit at approximately 3 tons per acre.

Tasting Notes

A classic Carneros beauty, ripe notes of cherry cola, spiced hibiscus flower, dried strawberries, and clove are accented by other exotic spices, earth, and hints of salinity. Whole cluster fermentation allows the fruit to be the focus, with fine grained tannins backing an already exquisite texture full of verve and length. Balanced and full of energy, this showcases one of California’s non-coastal Pinot sites in all its glory.

