



2018 IRONSTONE PINOT NOIR



WINE DATA

Producer
Ironstone Vineyards
Region
Lodi, California
Country
United States

Wine Composition

85% Pinot Noir,
10% Shiraz,
5% Petite Sirah

Alcohol
13.5%

Total Acidity
5.48 G/L

Residual Sugar
2.0 G/L

pH
3.55

DESCRIPTION

This Lodi Pinot Noir has seductive aromas of luscious black cherries mixed with cloves, spice and a touch of vanilla. These are followed by a well-rounded and supple cherry and plum flavor with a bit of earthiness. Soft tannins and a smoky and black tea-tobacco note finishes this full-flavored wine.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The grapes come from the Kautz family's Thornton Ranch property, closest Lodi AVA to the California Delta – a vast waterway that directly connects to the Pacific Ocean. These vineyards benefit the greatest from the daily ocean breezes. Ironstone practices sustainable viticultural such as crop reduction, leaf removal, organic materials and drip irrigation to improve the quality of the grapes and intensity of flavors. Cover crops, which attract beneficial insects, are also employed, as well as the placement of owl and wood duck boxes around the vineyards and ponds to help preserve the surrounding habitats. The wine is aged in new French oak for three months.

SERVING HINTS

This Pinot Noir is great to serve with dishes like cedar plank salmon, wild mushroom bruschetta, roasted chicken, pork roast, lamb chops, or game birds like duck or pheasant.