

# blagden



## *Pinot Noir*

2016 | Placida

Blagden is a small producer of Vineyard Designate Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays from the Petaluma Gap - Sonoma Coast and Cabernet Sauvignons from Moon Mountain and Napa Valley. Annual production is usually less than 500 cases and most lot sizes are no bigger than 200 cases. Not all grapes make it into the Blagden production as Catherine Blagden chooses only the best barrels for each release, assuring the best quality wine from that vineyard. Catherine has an M.S. from UC Davis and has been making wine since 2003. Blagden's 2013 Sangiacomo Pinot Noir won the 11th Annual International Women's Wine Making Competition which was announced June 2018.

### **Appellation**

Sonoma Coast

### **Tasting notes**

This wine is medium garnet in color and shows dark and red, brambly fruits, verdant earth and cola on the nose. The palate bursts forth with red and black fruits – essences of blackberry, pomegranate, red and black cherries as an earthy background layers itself into your mouth. The rich, soft and voluptuous mouthfeel leads to a long, lingering finish - with elegantly integrated tannins

### **Vineyard notes**

This is a small family-owned vineyard located in Sebastopol that has a nice variety of clones with great aspect and soil type to grow Pinot Noir. The vines were planted in 2003 and the soil is Goldridge – a fine sandy loam over a subsoil of golden yellow sandy loam and fractured sandstone. This vineyard has excellent drainage and low soil fertility.

Destemmed and crushed together, then fermented in T bins and macro 48s. 5 day cold soak, native fermentation, pressed with basket press to tank and barreled down next day. Inoculated with Alpha.

### **Clone:**

777 and Unknown Clone (cuttings from original Kenwood Estate).

### **Root stock:**

3309

### **Oak:**

100% French oak, 30% new. 17 months in barrel

### **Harvested:**

9/20/16

### **Bottled:**

2/8/18

### **Produced:**

65 cases

### **Finished wine**

pH: 3.70

TA: 5.6 g/L

Alcohol: 14.7%



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