



DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*Pinot Noir*

MARIN

MARIN COUNTY  
VINTAGE 2022

#### IN THE VINEYARD

With the Pacific Ocean to the west and San Pablo Bay to the east, Marin County is one of the coolest AVAs in California. The winter temperatures are typically warmer than Napa and Sonoma because of the surrounding bodies of water and its heavy precipitation. While bud break is accelerated, the cool spring and summer seasons lead to long hang times. This longer growing season lends itself to high-quality wines with balance, natural acidity, and lower alcohol levels.

#### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The grapes for this cool climate Pinot Noir are from the Stubbs, Corda/Chileno and Azaya Vineyards in the northernmost reaches of Marin County. The grapes were hand harvested on the early morning of October 7 and fermented in a combination of small, open top fermenters with hand punch downs before aging in 100% French oak barrels, 30% new for 11 months.

#### TASTING NOTES

Dark fruit aromas of lush blackberry, juicy blueberry, and rich plum are layered with delicate notes of black pepper and fragrant fresh herbs. Vibrant cherry and ripe strawberry are dusted with earthy tea leaves and warm spice. The finish is harmoniously integrated with silky, elegantly soft tannins that are captivating and enduring.

#### TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Marin County

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

PH: 3.64

TA: 5.2 g/L

AGING: 100% French oak, 30% new

MONTHS IN BARREL: 11

HARVEST DATE: October 7, 2022

