HESS



PINOT NOIR

CENTRAL COAST 2022



SUSTAINABLY PRODUCED

HESS SELECT WINES

Crafted by our winemakers best known for their artistry with mountain vineyards in Napa Valley, Hess Select wines are sourced from grower families throughout California who share the guiding principle that our founder Donald Hess instilled in our family business "nurture the land and return what you take." We strive to make the very best wines that elevate the everyday and honor our family legacy.

CALIFORNIA'S COASTAL REGIONS

Rugged, often wild, with never-ending complexity, this vast coastal growing region has long been home to advocates for sustainable viticulture. The Hess winemaking team looks to our dedicated grower partners for quality fruit that expresses the unique terroir of the California Coast. The delicate Pinot Noir varietal thrives in this region due to the cooling effect of the Pacific breeze, resulting in extended ripening over a long, moderate growing season. Warm days and cool evenings preserve the bright acidity and silky tannin of this concentrated wine. Rolling hillsides and benchlands offer prime vineyard sites producing flavorful fruit with approachable structure.

TASTE WITH THE WINEMAKER

"This wine invites you in with delicate aromas of raspberry, rose petals and subtle hints of black tea. Pinot Noir is known for being seductive, and this wine proves it to be true with these elegant aromas leading to luscious layered fruit flavors, most notably of rich red raspberries and black plum. This delicious palate is highlighted by a touch of clove all wrapped in well-structured, silky tannins."

Dave Guffy, Chief Winemaker

2022 VINTAGE

Vintage 2022 began with a warm spring and little rain. By the time fall was kicking off a heat wave came, through around Labor Day weekend, then shifted back to temperate conditions. This resulted in lower yields with small berries that were packed with intensely lush flavor. Early ripening, sunny summer heat, and a lack of water were balanced out by a very welcomed cool ending to the fall season. The extreme fall weather created interesting conditions for our fruit to steady and allowed us to harvest at the optimal moment to make a beautifully balanced wine. Vintage 2022 will continue to be celebrated for its dense fruit, bold structure, and unforgettable complexity.

APPELLATION: Central Coast

ALCOHOL: 13.8%