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2019 RICE-SPIVAK VINEYARD PINOT NOIR SONOMA COAST

Rice-Spivak is located in the Sebastopol Hills just west of Hwy 116. Russel Rice and Helene Spivak tapped viticulturalist Eric Neil to help them plant this vineyard in 2000 and Cobb Wines has been lucky enough to source fruit from the site since 2003. Though Rice-Spivak is located on the eastern edge of the vineyards Cobb works with, it's often picked right about the same time as the more westerly estate vineyards due to its relative low elevation and the pooling effect of the coastal winds. Planted into Sonoma Coast's traditional Goldridge Series, Rice-Spivak also has a layer of volcanic ash that always seems to come through on the palate.

Appellation: Sonoma Coast
Vineyard: Rice-Spivak
Soil: Goldridge Series with Volcanic Ash
Elevation: 350ft
Clones: Swan, 667, 115
Acres Planted: 6.25
Vine Age: 22 years
Barrels: 22 Months in 40% New French Oak
Whole Cluster: 40%
Alcohol: 13.3%
Production: 202 cases



PRESS



97+ PTS

- Erin Brooks, July 2022

The 2019 Pinot Noir Rice Spivak Vineyard was made with about 40% whole clusters and matured for 22 months in 40% new French oak. It has a medium ruby color and pure aromas of cranberries, raspberries and rhubarb—those dark red fruit characteristics of Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir in the 2019 vintage—plus accents of orange peel, Angostura bitters, moss and forest floor. The medium-bodied palate manages a slender frame and very intense flavors, supported by an abundance of silky tannins and juicy acidity driving the very long, very layered finish.