



2023 Pinot Noir

From the time Starmont first appeared on a label in 1989, the name has been recognized for classically styled varietal wines that are expressive and approachable. Now, over 30 years later, led by the Schlatter Family and Winemaker Jeff Crawford, Starmont is producing some of their best wines ever as part of the Merryvale Family of Wines.

Wine Notes

Our goal for Starmont Pinot Noir is varietal typicity and balance, with just the right amount of restraint to achieve a fresh, elegant example of Pinot Noir from California's top cool climate winegrowing regions. The wine opens with a vibrant bouquet of red fruits, led by fresh red cherry, ripe black cherry, and tart cranberry. Subtle earthy undertones lend depth and balance to the bright fruit expression. On the palate, the wine is lively and fruit-driven, with supple tannins and a silky texture that carries through to a long, balanced finish.

Winemaking

In our continued quest to deliver impressive quality at a reasonable price, we have expanded our sourcing for Starmont Pinot Noir. For the 2023, the blend comes from three different counties (Santa Barbara 68%, Monterey 20% and Sonoma 12%).

AVA: 68% Santa Barbara County

20% Monterey County

12% Sonoma County

Composition: 100% Chardonnay Alcohol: 14.2% by volume

TA: 5.5 g/L pH: 3.61