

# RAEN



*Research in Agriculture and Enology Naturally*



## THE 2021 VINTAGE

2021 was truly an incredible vintage. A combination of a beautiful growing season and the realization of our team's steadfast dedication to our farming principles led us to what is looking to be one of the greatest vintages we have produced since RAEN began, now almost ten years ago. During the 2021 growing season, our vineyards felt healthier and more alive than ever before. Through our holistic approach to farming, the meadows and forests don't end where the vineyard begins, but rather work together. We believe that supporting this biodiversity is both better for our planet's health, as well as essential to growing world-class wines. We are grateful that Mother Nature gave our coastal region a nearly perfect growing season, allowing us to capture the brilliance of the year in its entirety. Our 2021 wines present a beautiful concentration of flavors with incredible vibrancy, energy and verve. Elegant and expressive, these wines capture the voice of our grand cru sites along the coast.

## 2021 BODEGA VINEYARD, FREESTONE OCCIDENTAL

Varietal	PINOT NOIR
Vineyard	1.8 ACRES
Farming	ORGANIC, REGENERATIVE, & BIODYNAMIC PRACTICES
Soils	GOLD RIDGE / SANDY LOAM
Clones	667, 115, 777
Fermentation	100% WHOLE CLUSTER & NATIVE
Annual Production	200 9L CASES
Associate Winegrower	MELANIE MCINTYRE
Proprietors / Winegrowers	CARLO & DANTE MONDAVI

Our Bodega vineyard is our coolest, most exotic site, situated directly behind Bodega Bay between the villages of Freestone and Occidental and within miles of the Pacific Ocean. Lower in elevation, Bodega is engulfed in refreshing, morning fog and constant coastal breezes. This 1.8 acre site is the oldest meter-by-meter planting of pinot noir on the Sonoma Coast. Due to its high density and steepness, this site is farmed 100% by hand. Rose petals, wild strawberries, wild black plum, and crushed boysenberry fill the bowl. Chanterelles, thyme, and wild black berry aromas persist. On the palate a black fruit core is woven together with exotic spice, orange pith and notes of the surrounding forest in which the vines grew. Flavors of dark berries, forest floor and crushed gravel give way to a beautiful, long finish.

