



## SLANDER

### 2016 CALIFORNIA PINOT NOIR

In the third vintage of Slander, we were on the receiving end of a beautiful harvest, especially for Pinot. Similar to previous vintages, this blend is primarily a mélange of hillside Santa Rita Hills fruit. This year also included a new source of Pinot—our first foray to the William Wesley vineyard in Annapolis on the Sonoma Coast—which turned out to be one of the best lots of Pinot we've ever had. At the end of trials, Dave picked up a glass and said, "Now this is the type of Pinot I want to drink." Do you agree?

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Bright ruby in the glass, the aromatics concentrate—cherries, raspberries, dried rose petals, a touch of sweet oak and a hint of forest floor. The entry is silky with a classic Pinot Noir palate: loads of ripe red fruit, savory undertones and a principled backbone of acidity. Balanced, lean and complex, the wine finishes softly at length.

### BLEND

Pinot Noir

### MATURATION

Aged for 10 months in French Oak, 30% new.

### Alc/Vol

15.9%

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