

# 2018 Hibou Pinot Noir

## Tina Marie Vineyard, Russian River Valley



"As first-generation vintners, we are making wines without prescription or precedent, honored to guide excellent fruit into compelling wines. Each bottle of Hibou is an act of discovery, the telling of a unique story, and a convivial experience to share. We look forward to connecting with you through camaraderie and craft."

-Jason and Hilary Driscoll

From Jason: "Ron Black owns and farms Tina Marie. I was able to get 3 blocks of this vineyard. I called, basically begged, to have a chance and Ron obliged. Tina Marie is located in Graton, and the vines sit in goldridge soil. It is the perfect site for Russian River Pinot Noir! I get clones 115, 777, and 667 from this site. I ferment every block separately using native yeasts. For our 2018 release, I used 30% whole clusters in the fermentation and I aged the wine in 30% new French oak. The wine was aged for 10 months and bottled unfiltered and unfinned."

On the Nose:

Candied chocolate cherries accompanied with a mild pipe tobacco spice. Fresh boysenberries that are from a forest grove.

Palate:

Primary red bush fruits with secondary oak vanilla bean and cinnamon finish on the back palate. Acidity tingles the overall palate nicely as the silky tannins complement the finish.