

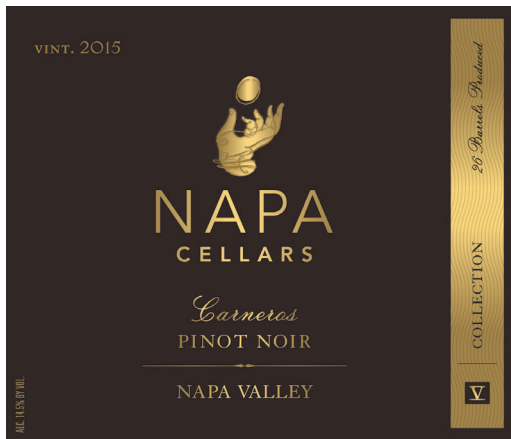


*Napa Cellars embodies the classic Napa Valley style – ripe, rich, balanced and collectible. At Napa Cellars we have the great fortune of sourcing the finest fruit from many of Napa Valley's renowned AVAs, assuring every vintage represents the very best of Napa Cellars. Our **V Collection** wines are limited-production, sub-appellation wines from the Napa Valley that pay tribute to the original five acres upon which our winery was founded in 1968. Each wine is 100% varietally true and captures the essence of the appellation from which it hails.*

Carneros
PINOT NOIR

NAPA VALLEY

VINT. 2015



Vineyards

The grapes for our V Collection 2015 Pinot Noir came from the Moretti and Mueller vineyards in Carneros. Mueller Vineyard, nestled at the southern end of the appellation near the Sonoma border, is a flat vineyard with characteristics typical of the region: thin clay soils, frequent wind and significant cloud cover. Moretti Vineyard is on a mild slope with clay-loam soils. Both sites provide ideal conditions for a deliberate and controlled ripening period for Pinot Noir fruit, creating balanced, structured wines with intensity and complexity.

Growing Season

2015 was a remarkable vintage for all varieties across Napa Valley. Exposure to late fall rain was largely avoided, thanks to the region's earliest harvest on record. Overall, the early harvest ensured optimal ripeness and excellent flavor development in the vineyard and great depth and complexity in the glass.

Winemaker Notes

"This Pinot Noir opens with aromas of black cherry, plum and earthy notes with a smoky oak character and baking spices. With its viscous palate, soft entry and smooth, fleshy palate, this wine delivers decadent flavors of strawberry, cherry, cola and notes of clove and black pepper. This wine concludes with spiced fruit compote and a lengthy oak finish. This is a complex, yet food friendly, wine." – Joe Shirley

APPELLATION: CARNEROS

COMPOSITION: 100% PINOT NOIR

COOPERAGE: 15 MONTHS, 100% FRENCH OAK (43% NEW)

ALCOHOL: 13.9%

T.A.: .59 G/L

PH: 3.65

HARVEST DATES: AUGUST 21 – SEPTEMBER 2, 2015

RELEASE DATE: FEBRUARY 2018

CASES: 2,000 6-PACK CASES