



2016 Gamay Noir Sonoma Coast

We are proud to be the first winery to produce & release a Gamay Noir from the Sonoma Coast. The site we chose grows both Pinot Noir & Chardonnay for our Sonoma Coast bottlings at Wind Gap and in 2014 we grafted an older block of Chardonnay over to Gamay Noir. We harvested a small amount of fruit in 2015 and made a tasty little wine that is long gone. A healthy canopy and a healthy crop load made 2016 the year it all came together. This 2016 marks the beginning of a new era for Pax Wines and California Gamay Noir.

100% Gamay Noir

100% Whole Cluster Fermented

Partial Carbonic Maceration

Sustainably farmed

Aged in neutral French Oak Barrels for 10 months

0% New Oak

3.6 pH

12.3% Alc By Vol

Tasting Note:

Raspberries, fresh earth, cinnamon and pomegranate aromas jump from the glass of this translucent red wine. Supple and elegant in the mouth this wine has a tremendous amount of depth to its fruit, which is held together with fine grain tannins and fresh mouthwatering acidity. More complex than your standard Gamay, this one benefited from the extended hang time on the Sonoma Coast and shows its pedigree in its long elegant finish.

91pts (Vinous, Antonio Galloni, Jan. 2017)