

## 2019 Pineau D'Aunis

## Bearg Ranch Fountaingrove District

Bearg Ranch & Vineyard is our partnership w/ the Bearg Family to grow our favorite mountain grown grape varieties of France in the mountains of California. As far as obscure grape varieties go, this one may take the cake. After a couple year obsession to taste every single Pineau d'Aunis made on the planet, I settled on a couple of producers in the middle Loire Valley to focus my efforts to get plant material.

Pineau d"Aunis is an exotic grape that grows wines loaded with tannin and acidity. Notes of white and black pepper can dominate, but the wild rustic savage quality of the grape is singular in flavor. 2019 was a gorgeous vintage that produced wines of purity and precision, this wine has settled down and the tannins have softened to reveal those spicy black pepper notes we love in this grape.

100% Pineau d'Aunis 100% Bearg Ranch 100% Whole Cluster Fermentation 10-Month élevage in a single neutral French Oak 500L Puncheon 3.88 pH 12.5% Abv

## Tasting Note:

Black as night and loaded with spicy white & black pepper notes that lift this hearty rustic red. Think of a bowl ripe strawberries, black cherries, and watermelon, topped with hot roofing tar and white pepper. This is the perfect wine to inspire your creative side to get out of those Pinot Noir doldrums.