



**2018 Zo Wines Pinot Noir**

Region: Philo, California, USA

AVA: Anderson Valley

Vineyard: Wentzle River Block

Blend: 100% Pinot Noir

Alcohol: 13.4%

pH: 3.57

TA: 5.4 g/L

Harvest Date: 9/25/18

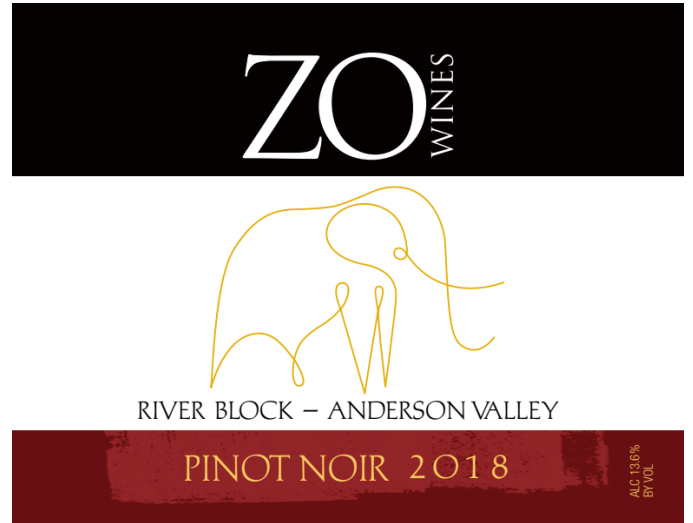
Trellis: VSP

Retail Price: \$44

Cases Produced: ~750

Winemaker: David Eckert

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**Production Notes:**

20% Whole Cluster fermentation in large open top fermenters. Barrel aged 9 months in French Oak, with a few new oak barrels and various degrees of used French oak.

**Vintage:**

After a challenging 2017 harvest, Sonoma County growers and vintners hoped for a more relaxed harvest and Mother Nature did just that. Despite a colder spring than previous vintages which resulted in a longer bloom, fruit set remained consistent. As a result of a slightly later start and moderate temperatures in the summer, harvest started later than years past. The near perfect fruit set led to large clusters which in turn, produced a large crop. This vintage required patience in order to get the development and maturation needed. The patience paid off tremendously, making 2018 one of the best vintages in Sonoma County in recent memory.

**Tasting Notes:**

This 2018 Pinot Noir has a color that belies the range of depth and reach in the Anderson Valley Pinots. With aromas of wild strawberries, baking spices and tobacco. This wine has a well integrated acidity, good length and medium plus body with notes of cranberry and pomegranate on the palate.