



DONELAN FAMILY WINES

2016 Mendocino Ridge Tripp's Block Pinot Noir

Named after Joe Donelan's eldest son, Tripp's Block showcases a side of Pinot Noir not often described as "Californian." Once a forest floor rich in decomposed organic matter, Perli Vineyard produce a rustic version of the variety. The 2016 Tripp's Block has a lot to say. From the glass, you get intoxicating macerated mulberries, angostura bitters reminiscent of a Manhattan, and conifer, like a breeze through evergreen woods. The palate continues with a red-fruited and earthy personality. Red cherry acidity and spicy cherry cola meet fresh and lively forest floor.

Open this wine a few hours in advance and serve with a meal that won't dominate the delicacy of a Pinot. Bison sliders topped with blue cheese work very well.

Vineyard Notes:

Hidden within Mendocino's redwood forests, Perli Vineyard is one of the most exceptional Pinot Noir sites we have come across. High above the fog line at 2,000 feet, Tripp's Block is a unique parcel of the vineyard that produces a wine that is hedonistic and incomparable.

Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak

33%

Composition

100% Pinot Noir

Barrel Aging

18 months

Alcohol

14.5%

Bottling Date

March 12th, 2018

Production

298 cases

~20% Whole Cluster · Native Ferment/Native ML

