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2021 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir

Coming on the heels of the 2020 growing season, 2021 seemed like a godsend. While it was a fairly warm growing season (they all seem to be warm these days) it was free of the extreme heat events that caused so much drama in 2020. Many parts of the north coast of California suffered some degree of frost damage in the spring of 2021 so yields were down, but the quality was outstanding. Color and concentration are good but what really makes the wines stand out is the vibrant freshness of the wines, pretty much across the board.

My 2021 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir might be my best one yet. Comprised mostly of fruit from the Barlow Homestead vineyard with a small portion from a vineyard in the Petaluma Gap called Sun Chase, it is medium bodied with lots of fresh fruit, silky tannins and explosive perfume. Not profound, just super delicious. The kind of wine that invites a second glass or a second bottle, meant for enjoying and not so much for contemplation (although there is enough going on that you could, if so inclined). And it is priced so that this can happen often.

I only made 165 cases of it. \$35/bottle.