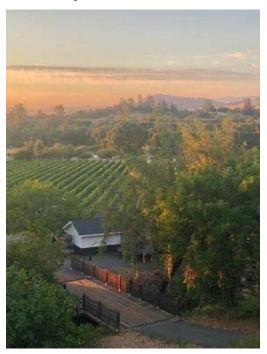


KETCHAM ESTATE VINEYARD VIOGNIER 2021/\$41.99





DESCRIPTION

Ketcham Estate is a small, family owned boutique winery and estate vineyard known for exceptional wines made in the heart of the Russian River Valley. Mark Ketcham(1955-2020) had long dreamt of owning a vineyard in the Northern California wine country. Originally specializing in top-notch Estate Grown Pinot Noir, Ketcham Estate is also now making award-winning Chardonnay, Viognier, and Estate grown Pinot Noir Rosé wines. That dream came true in 2000 when he purchased a Pinot Noir and Chardonnay vineyard. The vineyard was quickly converted to 100% Estate Pinot Noir, while retaining the 'Old Block Pinots' that were its heritage. The goal was to develop a perfect matrix of Pinot Noir clones, married to the 'terroir' of sun, soil, wind and location, all bound by the small creek that borders the perimeter of the property.

In 2004, Mark founded Ketcham Estate to make wines from the heritage Pinot vines. Every taste of a Ketcham Estate Pinot tells the story of lovingly tended vines; each vintage yields a perfect balance of bright fruit combined with the acid and structure qualities that make outstanding Pinot Noirs. Ketcham Estate Pinot Noirs are drinkable on their own or paired with California's bounty of wonderful foods.

At Ketcham Estate they believe that making good wines is the perfect marriage of the land and the hand.

Ketcham Estate is a 17.5 acre property located in the heart of the Russian River Valley. Thirteen acres are under cultivation. They grow Pinot Noir Dijon Clones: 115, 626, 777, 828, and Pommard 4.

Tasting Notes

Nose:

With the first scent of the bouquet, memories of a tropical destination fills the nose with mango, pineapple, and coconut. As the wine opens up, the aromas turn to citrus and floral notes of honeysuckle.

Palate:

On the palate there is a bright, tart yet creamy refreshing texture. The flavors are that of lemon curd, grapefruit, toasted marshmallow, and white chocolate. The long lingering finish will round the mouth feel and continue beyond your final luscious sip.

Pairing:

Viognier pairs well with appetizers, soft cheeses, shellfish, and spicy dishes.

Winery Website: Ketcham Estate | Vineyard, Chardonnay, Viognier, Pinot Noir Rose

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