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Little Boat Russian River Pinot Noir 2022

In line with José Ignacio Cuenca's philosophy, this Pinot Noir is elegant, complex, and effortlessly drinkable. Concentrated wild cherry and strawberry notes unfold alongside subtle minerality, all carried by a silky texture and refined tannins that lead to a long, graceful finish.

The wine was sourced primarily from Mount Olivet Vineyard in the heart of the Russian River Valley—a historic site established by the Rued family in the 1870s and still farmed today by Richard Rued and his sons. The vineyard's clonal diversity brings remarkable depth and complexity. Additional fruit from Windsor Oaks Vineyard in the warmer Chalk Hill sub-appellation adds structure and richness to the blend.

Crafted using classic Burgundian methods: fully destemmed fruit, a five-day cold soak at 50°F, gentle extraction during fermentation, and pressing at dryness after 10 days on the skins. Aged for 18 months in 100% French oak, with 35% new barrels from Francois Frères and Tonnellerie O. No fining was required.

Alcohol 14.5%, pH 3.73, T.A. 5.8 g/L.

Produced and bottled at William Knuttel's winery in Sonoma, California.

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