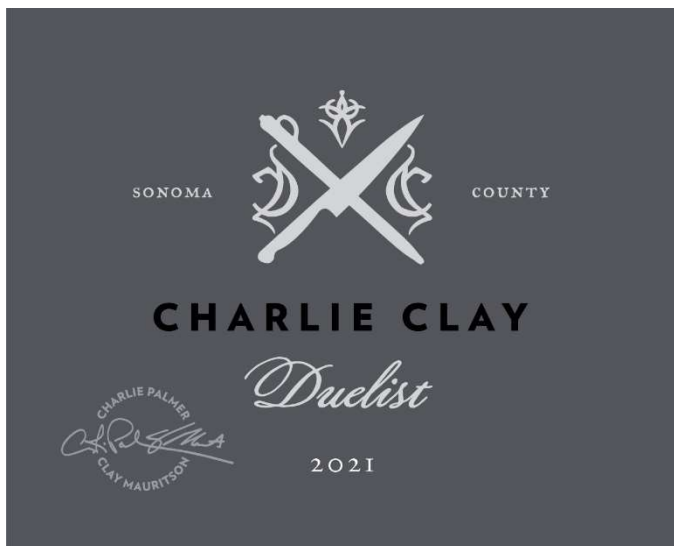




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Winemakers' Perspective

When bud break arrived in late March, we had received only about 20 percent of our annual rainfall. And coming off the previous dry season, it was evident that early adjustments to crop levels and managing the canopy for more dappled fruit exposure would be beneficial, leaving the vines in a strong position to finish out the growing season.

The Charlie Clay "Duelist" Pinot Noir is produced only in superior vintages. Its production is tiny: just a few hand-selected barrels per vintage. The Duelist is a clear demonstration of the love of a single Pinot Noir vineyard, under a curated barrel selection, in only the finest vintages.

The nose is complex and dark fruit driven, with notes of Santa Rosa plum flesh, crushed ripe black cherry and exotic bramble and undertones of lilac blossom, sweet mineral and fresh Earl Grey tea leaf. The energetic entry showcases flavors of sweet local strawberry, loam and ground coffee bean. The texture is fine grained and velvety with a seamless and persistent finish. This wine will drink best over the next 6-8 years and age gracefully for many more after that.

Cheers,

Clay Mauritsen
Owner

Emma Kudritzki Hall
Winemaker

2021 Charlie Clay "Duelist" Pinot Noir *Russian River Valley*

Production:	74 cases
Appellation:	Russian River Valley
Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Vineyards:	100% Calegari
Alcohol:	14.28 % by volume

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