

# DAOU

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## PETALUMA GAP PINOT NOIR



**THE WINE** | This limited-edition DAOU Pinot Noir comes from the famed Petaluma Gap AVA in Sonoma County, an emerging haven for California Pinot Noir. The 2021 vintage displays a perfumy nose of dried strawberry, cherry and rhubarb with floral notes of lavender, pine needle and rose petal. These pretty primary aromas are underlain by notes of earthy truffle and damp forest floor. On the palate, soft tannins and juicy acidity deliver flavors of black raspberry, fresh cherry, cranberry and plum, while trailing suggestions of saffras and clove spice are accented by sandalwood and warm saddle leather. A long, lovely finish lingers with hints of toasty oak, raspberry and pomegranate.

**APELLATION** | Defined by its unique wind and fog conditions and their effect on the vines, the Petaluma Gap was designated in 2017 as an AVA, producing premium grapes that make it one of California's best areas for growing complex and elegant Pinot Noir. Situated 25 miles north of San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge, it's also the premier gateway to the Sonoma Coast and northern Marin County wine region.

**DAOU FAMILY ESTATES** | Family owned and operated, DAOU Family Estates is committed to producing collectible, world-class wines to rival the most respected appellations in the world. Situated on a 212-acre hilltop estate in the Adelaida District of Paso Robles, our remarkable geology, favorable microclimate, and high elevation were once described by renowned California winemaker André Tchelistcheff as "a jewel of ecological elements." As stewards of this beautiful terroir, DAOU's goal is to make unique fine wines that honestly and accurately reflect the potential of the Estate and to craft Bordeaux style wines that combine Old World tradition with New World techniques.

**VARIETALS** | 100% Pinot Noir

**BARREL AGING** | 10 months in 66% new French oak

**ALCOHOL** | 13.8%

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