



CLOS DE LA TECH

Santa Cruz Mountains, California

2016 PINOT NOIR **DOMAINE DU DOCTEUR RODGERS**

OVERVIEW

Domaine Du Docteur Rodgers is located at TJ and Valeta Rodger's residence in San Francisco Bay AVA. The wine is made in an on-site farmhouse winery that evokes images of Vosne-Romanée and the magic of Romanée-Conti.

VINEYARD

Clos de la Tech's five Pinot Noirs come from three estate vineyards: Domaine du Docteur Rodgers, Domaine Valeta, and Domaine Lois Louise. Domaine du Docteur Rodgers is a one-acre, rolling hilltop vineyard in the town of Woodside, along the foothills of the Santa Cruz Mountains. It is a relatively cool, dry, protected site that consistently produces dramatically rich and concentrated Pinot Noirs.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was hand harvested between September 9th and September 14th, 2016. After a 10 day cold soak, the grapes underwent traditional vinification methods including foot crushing, whole cluster fermentation with native yeast, malolactic fermentation on lees and gravity transfer (no pumping). The wine was aged in Francois Frères barrels (Bertrange Forest) for 17 months and bottled unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

We call Domaine du Docteur Rodgers (DDR) our "rich, luscious Pinot Noir with a unique bouquet." The following tasting note is from the first sommelier to hold both the Master of Wine and Master Sommelier titles, Ronn Wiegand: "Excellent Quality (*****)– The aroma intense, ripe, very distinctive (cherry, blueberry, cooked meat, eucalyptus mint, menthol); just excellent. The palate is delicious, even mouthwatering. Supple, full bodied, crisp, and very well balanced, with well-integrated oak, fruit, and acidity; very long and lingering finish. Outstanding quality.

STATISTICS

Composition	100% Pinot Noir
Vineyard	Domaine du Docteur Rodgers
Barrel Aging	17 months in Francois Frères French oak barrels (80% new)
pH	3.60
TA	0.59g/100ml
Alcohol	13.3
Production	160 cases
SRP	\$150