

## Calera Mt. Harlan Pinot Noir de Villiers Vineyard

COUNTRY	REGION	GRAPE	VINTAGE
United States	California	100% Pinot Noir	2018

### ABOUT THE DOMAINE

Calera is one of California's greatest pioneer producers. Founded in 1974 by Josh Jensen, who took his cue from the great domaines of Burgundy in his quest for the perfect terroir, Calera quickly established a stellar record for producing wonderful Pinot Noir in the Gavilan Mountains west of Chalone in what is now known as the Mt. Harlan AVA. Certified organic, the 31-hectare estate is located at high elevations (2200 feet above sea level on average). Over the past four decades, Jensen and his team have acquired a reputation for their consistently excellent, internationally recognised wines.

### WINEMAKING

Calera's Mt. Harlan Vineyards are located in the Gavilan Mountains 25 miles east of the Monterey Bay. The site was chosen for its limestone soils and ideal climate. At an average elevation of 2,200 feet it is among the highest and coolest vineyard sites in California. Whole cluster fermentation with native yeast. This wine has been aged for 18 months with 30% new French oak.

### TASTING NOTES

On the nose, dramatic aromas of black cherry, briary blackberry and sarsaparilla immediately command attention. The dark berry flavours continue on the palate, where they are supported by firm, age-worthy tannins that frame the fruit and carry the wine to a long, lush cherry and spice finish.



### TECHNICAL NOTES

**Alcohol by volume**  
14.3%

**Acidity**  
0.62g/100ml

**pH**  
3.65

**Vegetarian**