

BIRICHINO



2014 ANTLE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

Planted by Dick Graff at 1800' elevation on a northwest-facing slope, Antle lies within sight of the Pinnacalitos, near the East entrance to Pinnacles National Park.

Located within the Chalone AVA in the Gabilan Mountains, the organically farmed Antle vineyard's limestone and decomposed granite soils are planted to old selections of Chalone, Swan, and Pommard pinot that produce a singularly expressive, intensely aromatic wine of depth, dimension, and structure that we hope transmits some of the vivid natural beauty of this otherworldly site.

We picked the 2014 vintage starting at 2am on August 18th under the stars of the Milky Way and the Perseid Meteor showers, to a soundtrack provided by three separate packs of coyotes. After a year and a half in old French barrels and demi-muids, we bottled, unfiltered, in January of 2016.

TA: 6.1 g/l, pH 3.73, Alc. 13.0%

-Alex and John

Release Date: Fall 2016
Composition: Pinot Noir 100%
Appellation: Chalone
Case Production: 222cs