

Paul Lato



2023 "Stand by Me" Pinot Noir

Drum Canyon Vineyard, STA Rita Hills



From the Drum Canyon Vineyard and brought up 18 months in 70% new French oak, the 2023 Pinot Noir Stand By Me offers black raspberries, graphite, spring flowers, and minty, sappy underbrush nuances on the nose. Medium to full-bodied on the palate, concentrated, and focused, with beautifully integrated oak (it brings to mind Roumier), it has a tight, focused mouthfeel, beautiful overall balance, and a great finish. Give it a year or two to integrate its oak and drink through 2035. It's another sensational Pinot Noir from the genius of Paul Lato. Drink 2027-2035. -99pts **Jeb Dunnuck**

Vinification: Destemmed. Aged 18 months in 70% new French oak. Bottled unfinned & unfiltered.

Clones: Calera, 667

Soil: Sandy loam

Alc: 14.4%

pH: 3.43

TA: 6.1

Cases Produced: 240