Domaine Eden

Technical notes

2015 Pinot Noir
Santa Cruz Mountains

Yield:	2 tons per acre
Harvest:	August 16th - September 2nd
Numbers @ Harvest:	23.5° Brix
	3.38 pH
	7.0 grams acidity

Barrel Regimen - French Burgundy-1-3 years old
Bottling - August 2016; no fining or filtration
Alcohol: 13.5%

1,046 cases produced

About Domaine Eden

Domaine Eden is a nearby mountaintop wine estate purchased by Mount Eden Vineyards in 2007. It was founded and built by the late Tom Mudd in 1983, and was initially planted with the Mount Eden clonal selections of Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon, which evolved to include Pinot Noir from various Dijon and California selections.

The viticulture at Domaine Eden is approached with the same level of naturalness and sustainability as Mount Eden's estate vineyards. The soils here, however, are different from the estate's Franciscan shale so even though Domaine Eden is a mere mile away "as the crow flies", the wines express more varietal fruit with expansive mid-palate flavors than the soil-driven minerality of Mount Eden estate wines.

With the differences in vineyard character, the property inspired a new wine brand, Domaine Eden, which focuses on Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from this special site and Bordeaux varieties from Mount Eden's larger home, the Santa Cruz Mountains.

Winemakers notes at release: Spring 2018

The 2015 Pinot Noir is a very concentrated and powerful vintage. The crop was reduced by 50% due to conditions at flowering and the lingering effects of the drought. Luckily, the rest of the growing season was pretty typical. Even though the grapes ripened early (the new normal), all of the blocks were harvested at moderate sugar and balanced acidity.

A perfumed, violet-scented, floral bouquet is generous and alluring. The palate is intense with a strong core of red fruit, moderate tannins, and fresh, energetic acidity. The all-important finish is long and expansive foretelling a great evolution in the bottle.

If you love mountain-grown Pinot made in the classic style, this is for you.