



BLACK STAR FARMS



## 2022 Arcturos Pinot Noir

Black Star Farms is located on the same 45th Parallel that runs through some of the world's great wine regions. Our unique "lake effect" climate allows us to produce classic varietal wines that truly express our dynamic wine region. Fruit is sourced from the proprietor's vineyards and local grower partners on the Old Mission and Leelanau Peninsulas. This diversity allows us to obtain consistent quality across vintages.

### Winemaker Comments

Pinot Noir is the most prolific red wine grape we grow and bottle. Since day one, we have been committed to making the northwest Michigan version of this variety. Up to five different vineyard sites provide us with fruit. This vineyard variety allows us to be selective with what we produce. The Arcturos brand of this wine is meant to be our front-line Pinot Noir. There is a balance of vibrant fruit and spicy complexity from time in the barrel. If you want to try a Michigan version of what the French call Burgundy, this is the wine for you.

### Tasting Notes

This wine expresses the lush ripeness of fresh-picked red fruits. Subtle aromas of sweetgrass gracefully intertwine with notes of Montmorency cherries, raspberries, and an elegant barrel spice on the nose and palate.

### Thoughts for Food

Pinot Noir is one of the most versatile red wines and is often an excellent addition to many meals. Some of our recommendations include herb-roasted chicken, wild-mushroom pizza, grilled salmon, and pepper-crusted tuna steaks.

**Blend:** 100% Pinot Noir  
**Appellation:** Michigan  
**Vineyards:** 59% Leelanau Peninsula, 41% Old Mission Peninsula  
**Maturation:** 16-18 months in French oak, 10% new, the balance 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> fill  
**Bottling Data:** 0% residual sugar, 13.3% alcohol, PH, 3.61  
**Cases Produced:** 519

