

WAYFARER



Nestled beyond a ridgeline towering 1,100 feet above the Pacific Ocean, Wayfarer Vineyard is an oasis in a remote landscape of redwood forests and winding mountain roads. Wayfarer Pinot Noirs and Chardonnay hail from this single estate vineyard in Fort Ross-Seaview, Sonoma Coast's most dramatic appellation.

Vintner Jayson Pahlmeyer purchased Wayfarer in 1998 after being introduced to it by winemaker Helen Turley. At the time, Wayfarer was an organic farm and had once been home to a small school. Renowned vineyard developer David Abreu designed the vineyard as 30 one-acre blocks, each dedicated to an individual Pinot Noir or Chardonnay clone. Densely planted entirely on Goldridge soil, the vineyard is situated on east and west facing slopes ranging from 930 to 1,100 feet, just four miles from the Pacific.

The vineyard was planted in 2002 but it wasn't until more than ten years later that Cleo Pahlmeyer, Jayson's daughter, introduced the first Wayfarer estate wines. Todd Kohn joined the Pahlmeyers as assistant winemaker in 2013, when Wayfarer's first vintage was in barrel. In 2017, Cleo took the helm of her family's wine business and appointed Todd Winemaker.

Wayfarer thoughtfully incorporates organic and sustainable viticulture, recognizing that the highest-quality fruit comes from vineyards farmed for the long-term health of the land. They approach their farming vine by vine, with care and attention to detail reflected in wines that could only be from this truly special place.