

SMASH CITY

2019

PINOT NOIR

Varietal:

Pinot Noir

AVA:

Santa Maria Valley

Vineyard:

Bien Nacido

Production:

287 cases made

Oak:

80% New French Oak

Time in Barrel:

18 Months

Alcohol:

15.4%

Cellar potential:

It'll last, but what's the point?

Release date:

March 22, 2021

TASTING NOTES

How you ended up on top of this runaway boxcar full of blueberries, you don't quite remember, but it's flying down the tracks, through forests of fresh herbs and violet. The Thunderbird convertible alongside wants you to jump, so you do, seconds before the whole thing hits a plum and brown sugar warehouse. Two flips in the air, for good measure, and you land nimbly in the driver's seat, riding so far into the sunset, you can't even hear the director yell cut.

NOTES

What 6 foot tires, 1,200 horsepower and a gallon a second are to a Prius, Smash City is to Pinot Noir. There is no talk of micro-climates, battonage or rootstock when this beast hits the glass. It's just pure, unadulterated pleasure. Smash City will get you smiling faster than a county fair corn dog when you're on a diet. And don't worry, it can't become a habit because there'll never be too much to go around.

SERVING

Temperature: 65°F

DRINK NOW: Splash decant into thermos

ABOUT

Proprietor and winemaker Russell P. From began Herman Story Wines in 2001 with 7 barrels stashed in his employer's cellar. What started as a modest homage to his rancher grandfather has become a beacon to those seeking opulent, structured Syrah and Grenache. To maintain balance while giving flavor full stage, Russell works with 30 top-tier vineyards in over 7 distinct growing regions between Santa Barbara and Paso Robles. These are no nonsense, balls to the walls wines that are not for the faint of heart or the pinky raising set.

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