

Discover the Paradise in Pinot
Clones: The Varieties of Pinot That Make it the Complex, Luscious Wine We Love

with John Caldwell, keynote speaker
and a clonal tasting from Santa Cruz Mountains vineyards

“Pinot Clones Wars” What is Behind the Cloned Pinot Conspiracy?

'Clone Wars' will address the changing trends in planting and making Pinot Noir in the Santa Cruz Mountains with various Pinot clones. We will discuss if there is and why there is an ever changing market demand for clones. Attendees will be guided through the history of Pinot Noir clones and the current selections being offered by our keynote speaker, John Caldwell. John Caldwell is the author of *a Concise Guide to Wine Grape Clones*. (Read this [Wine Spectator article about John Caldwell](#).)

Attendees will also have the opportunity to taste and compare over 10 different Pinot clones from five different vineyards. Clones would include selections from: Pommard, Dijon, Louis Martini, Mariafeld, and Wadensvil. Selected vineyards would be: Bargetto Winery's Estate Regan, Muns Vineyard, Burrell School Estate Vineyard, Alfaro Family Vineyard, and Lester Family Vineyard. Winemakers from these various vineyards will give a brief description of the grape clones and the type of Pinot Noir they produce while attendees will taste and compare these clones from each vineyard.

This will be a revealing, educational and informative session that will lift the veil and explain the mystery about different clones. This is a must for Pinot lovers as well as for anyone growing or planning to grow and make wine from this illustrious grape.