



# PINOT NOIR, RSM ESTATE VINEYARD 2018 Anderson Valley Appellation Handley Cellars, California, USA



**eCommerce # 489582 | 13.4 % alc./vol. | \$96.95 \***subject to change

*"This graceful, layered and subtle wine deftly blends delicious plummy fruit with judicious oak spices and a hint of earthy, forest floor aromas. A gentle mouthfeel, medium to full body and lingering finish make it easy to keep sipping. It's the best of Handley's 2018s, and great to drink through 2028."*

**Score – 96p (Jim Gordon, Wine Enthusiast)**

*Elegant and complex showing aromas of raspberry and cherry, forest floor, and cedar. Light to medium in body. Red cherries, cola, mushroom, resinous pine, and hints of clove on the finish. Medium tannins with a lingering finish.*

**Terroir:**

Founded in 1982 Handley Cellars is a small family-owned winery in California's Mendocino County. Located at the northwest end of the Anderson Valley on 59 acres of the original Holmes Ranch.

RSM Vineyard is named for Milla's late husband, Rex Scott McClellan, who planted this 7 Acre vineyard 1999-2001. This steep hillside vineyard at 200-300m above sea level sits above the fog line, sheltered from the wind by the surrounding redwood and fir forests. Shallow soils and warmer night-time temperatures result in riper, richer Pinot Noir with concentrated flavours, moderate acidity, and soft tannins.



**Vinification:**

Aged for 10 months in French Oak barrels (1/3 new).

**Variety:** Pinot Noir 100%

**Residual sugar:** 0 g/L

**Serving suggestion and food pairing:** Serve at 17°C. Perfect complement for lamb ragout with vegetables, baked turkey, game birds with mushroom or berry sauce.

**Wine Enthusiast**

**96p & Cellar Selection**

