

2014 Sonoma County Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

An enticing nose of cola and sassafras are intertwined with notes of fresh rose petals, red raspberries and strawberries. A grilled herb aromatic complements the fruit aromas and adds a wonderful sense of savory intrigue. The palate is compact with an explosion of black cherry, nutmeg and cinnamon flavors while the elegant, polished tannins extend to the finish. The freshness of the acidity maintains the rather lithe quality to the texture. Recommended cellaring for 3-4 years.

THE VINEYARDS

The Pinot Noir for this blend was sourced from the Lone Oak Vineyard, the Bucher Vineyard, the Foss Vineyard, the Flax Vineyard and from the Terra de Promissio Vineyard.

HARVEST 2014

After two stellar vintages, 2014 completes the trifecta of high quality growing seasons where the wines exhibit purity of place with generous fruit and elegant textures. The season began as one of the driest winters on record with only 40% of normal rainfall by mid-season. April rains replenished the soil's moisture profile to re-invigorate the plants, boost growth, and help set a bountiful crop. The harvest season was near perfect with warm temperatures allowing for a leisurely picking schedule. 2014 is a superb vintage of compelling nature and will develop well with long range cellaring.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 33% new, 33% 1 yr., 33% 2 yr.

Barrel Aged: 10 months

pH: 3.61

TA: 0.59g/100mL

Alc: 13.8%

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