

# 2007 Rochioli Riverblock Vineyard Pinot Noir

#### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The aromas of ripe boysenberries, blackberry jam, truffle, mineral and cola come through in the nose. Sweet and concentrated flavors of ripe cherries, earth, spice and sassafras accentuate the ripe, lush tannins on your palate. The concentration of dark red fruits, cola and mineral complement the classic long persistent finish.

-Winemaker Bob Cabral

#### THE VINEYARD

Rochioli Riverblock vineyard is located six miles southwest of the town of Healdsburg, banking the Russian River. Fog-cooled evenings and moderately warm daytime temperatures make the Russian River Valley region ideal for growing Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes.

## HARVEST 2007

The 2007 vintage has produced wines of extremely high quality, wines that are each brilliant expressions of their sites. The growing season was distinguished by its evenness with a cool finish. The summer months were characterized by warm, sunny, near-perfect weather with very few heat spikes during the fruit ripening stage of the vine growth cycle. This resulted in very uniform ripening and optimal development of intense varietal flavors, aromas and expression. The wines of 2007 convey their unique characters in a manner more vivid, precise and evocative than we have come to anticipate. In a decade of exceptional vintages, this one really stands above all others.

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Barrel Description: 61% new oak, 39% 1-year-old

Barrel Aged: 17 months

pH: 3.51

TA: 0.59g/100mL

Alc: 13.9%

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