



2008
777 CLONES
Russian River Valley
P I N O T N O I R

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

With the overwhelming success of our Pommard Clones, we have decided to continue down this "clonal" path with this Pinot Noir consisting of only that delicious clone, 777.

This wine is made from grapes harvested out of several of our favorite vineyards; the Leras Family Vineyard, Peters Vineyard, Nunes Vineyards, Windsor Oaks, Vin Noy and Saralee's Vineyard. Having all these vineyards blended together allows us to create a complete, full-bodied wine out of only one clone. Each vineyard provides an element of flavor that makes this one of the best wines we have ever produced.

As with all of our Pinot Noir, we cold-soaked the grapes for three to four days and then introduced select yeasts. Once fermentation began, we hand-punched the must in open-top fermenters at least four times a day to keep the temperature and oxygen at the right levels for the yeast to remain active. Once fermentation was over, the wine was gently pressed and aged for 11 months in Francois oak barrels.

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TASTING NOTES

Intense bright ruby red color with a nose that draws you in with big allspice and red berry notes. On the palate it opens with Rainier cherries, spice and bright acidity. The long finish of smooth tannins and warm earthy quality are very characteristic of Russian River Valley Pinot Noir. Drink now through 2016

WINE PROFILE

Varietal:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Russian River Valley
Harvest Dates:	September 6-27, 2008
Brix at Harvest:	24°-24.9°
Alcohol:	14.5%
T.A.:	0.676/100ml
pH:	3.64
Residual Sugar:	Dry
Cooperage:	11 months in François Frères French oak, 80% new, 20% 1 and 2 year old
Bottled:	August 21 2008
Production:	440 cases 750 ml

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