KOSTA BROWNE WINERY

KEEFER RANCH PINOT NOIR
2009

Keefer Ranch is located in the Green Valley appellation in the southwestern corner of the Russian River Valley. The 30 acre vineyard is located on gently rolling hills in an area known to have some of the coolest weather in the Russian River Valley. Morning and evening fog, gentle afternoon breezes, cool overnight temperatures and the warm afternoon sun produce grapes with terrific natural acidity combined with a combination of elegance and intensity. Marcy Keefer grows some of the best Pinot Noir grapes in Sonoma County and we are proud to have them as members of the family. The site has a superb micro-climate, offering just the right amount of warmth during the day and very cool nights, which leads to intensely focused red fruited wine with strong natural acidity.

AROMATICS: Fresh raspberries, ripe cranberry, pomegranate, red apple skin, citrus and a subtle dose of tangerine zest.

ON THE PALATE: Sweet Rainier cherries, raspberries, pomegranate and soft notes of cola. Rich raspberry and a dose of cream lead to a silky finish. Medium weight on the palate and bursting with juicy acidity and intense red fruit character. Focused and yet, very pretty and elegant.

VINEYARD DETAILS

BLOCKS/CLONES USED IN THE BLEND
777: 35%; Pommard 4: 19%; Pommard 5: 8%; 23: 15%; 114: 15%; 115: 8%

TOTAL TONS ACQUIRED PER VINEYARD/BLOCK
Pommard 4: 3.2; 114: 2.3; 23: 2.3 Pommard 5: 2.0; 115: 1.8; 777: 1.8

VINEYARD ORIENTATION
East / West

TRELLISING TYPE
Bi-lateral cordon

AVERAGE CROP PER ACRE
2.6 tons

SOIL TYPE
Goldridge and Josephine Loam

PRIMARY FERMENTATION DETAILS

HARVEST DATES
September 11-14, 2009

COLD-SOAK TIME
5 days

FERMENTATION TIME
8-11 days average

PUNCH-DOWNS PER DAY
1 to 2

TYPE/SIZE OF FERMENTATION VESSEL
5-ton stainless steel open top tank and 1-ton bins

TYPE OF FERMENTATION APPLIED
100% destemmed

BARREL PROGRAM

PERCENTAGE OF NEW FRENCH OAK
50%

BARREL AGING
16 months

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

ALCOHOL | PH
14.5% 3.68

TITRATABLE ACIDITY
6.0 g/L

BOTTLING DATE
February 7, 2011

PRODUCTION
829 cases