

APPELLATION WINE

2013 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR

Shaped in every way by this namesake river

VINEYARD DETAILS

Sourced from a variety of special vineyards:

Castaldi, Big Pig, El Diablo, Gantz, Giusti, Graham, Jenkins, Keefer, Koplen, Lancel Creek, Lucky Well, Moonshine, Stephens, Thorn Ridge and Ulises Valdez.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest	August 30 - October 7, 2013
Fermentation	5-ton open tops / 5 day cold soak / 14 day average ferment / 100% de-stemmed
Oak	41% new French oak / 16 months
Alcohol	14.5%
PH	3.64
Titrateable Acidity	5.72 g/L
Bottling Date	January 14-16, 2015

TASTING NOTES

Nose: Bing cherries, black raspberry, rose petals.

Mouth: Cherries and rose hips that blossom to cola, pomegranate and sun drenched raspberries, culminating with chocolate dipped oranges that coats the palate and lingers long after.

FACTS OF NOTE

BLEND

Composed
from numerous
micro lots

FERMENTATION

100%
de-stemmed

VINEYARDS

15 different
growers

There are many differences between vineyards in this small appellation but the majority of them do share a common influence – the cooling effect that follows the Russian River inland from the Pacific coast. This fog helps keep nights cool and offers vines a respite from daytime temperatures. In turn, these diurnal temperature swings slow down ripening and promote more evolved flavors in our grapes. We work with vineyards that span a diverse and varied view into a region that many would call the heartland of California Pinot Noir. Our goal is to create a wine that showcases the essence of this magical appellation.

Over the years, we've been fortunate to work with many great vineyards. The selection that contribute to this wine all come from growers that surround our Sebastopol home. There is often a recognizably full mouthfeel and texture to the wines from the area - a common thread to the components of this blend and a feature we are drawn to every vintage.

