

# PEDRONCELLI



## Russian River Valley Sources

The fruit for our Pinot Noir comes from five growers spread over the northern Russian River Valley. The Frank Johnson Vineyard continues as a source of Pinot Noir, spanning 30 years, and is combined with four other growers, Schneider, Harrich, Brooks, and P. Marcucci, all within a few miles of each other. Pinot Noir grown in the cool climate of the Russian River Valley in Sonoma County is regularly influenced by the intrusion of cooling evening fog from the Pacific Ocean a few miles to the west. This natural air-conditioning allows the grapes to develop full flavor maturity over an extended growing season while retaining the all-important natural acidity. Combined with a diverse complexity of soil types along with the vineyard sources creates a wine that reflects all the best of this growing region.

#### WINEMAKING

2013 brought a warm summer growing season with moderate temperatures and offered ideal conditions for our Pinot Noir. Grapes were harvested the first week of September showing smooth tannins, deep color and higher concentration of aromas and flavors than in cooler vintages. The fruit was crushed and cold soaked for seven days. Fermentation took place in small stainless steel tanks. Three pumpovers were performed daily for maximum color and flavor extraction. The round, full and polished texture of this wine comes not only from the high quality fruit but also judicious use of oak—the wine was aged for 9 months in small French oak barrels with 20% new oak.

### TASTING NOTES

An elegant, medium bodied Pinot Noir. Bright aromas of ripe cherry and warm spice combine with red raspberry and light cedar notes. These are highlighted by flavors of plum and toasted oak accents. Rich and smooth with a zesty texture and a hint of spiciness, the finish is nicely balanced with medium tannins.

# Technical Information

APPELLATION
Russian River Valley

BARREL AGING
9 months in French Oak barrels

ALCOHOL 13.9%

pH 3.65

TOTAL ACIDITY .550g/I00mg

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