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2009 california pinot noir

Winemaker's Comments

"Premium cherry flavors blend with notes of smooth spice to accelerate this medium bodied Pinot Noir."

John Allbaugh, Winemaker

Vineyards

Our Pinot Noir grapes come from vineyards in Monterey and California's Northern Interior that produce rich cherry flavors and provide the smooth tannins that make this distinguished wine. The grapes benefited from a warm summer to produce this brilliant fruit filled vintage.

Vintage

The 2009 growing season was fairly consistent with early rain and hot temperatures late in the year. This growing climate allowed the fruit to ripen slowly and have above average quality. The end result was fruit with intense flavors and a harvest that could only be described as optimal.

Fermentation & Aging

Individual lots of fruit were harvested separately according to ripeness and balance of acidity. The grapes were de-stemmed and crushed very gently to ensure that whole berries remained for full fruit character. The wine was pumped-over twice daily and the temperature was controlled at 85 degrees F to extract ideal color and flavor. The fermenting wines were tasted daily and pressed off their skins once they achieved optimum tannins.

Technical Data

Blend:	87% Pinot Noir 13% Other
Alcohol:	13.6%
Acidity:	0.58 g/L
pH:	3.70
Released	July 2010
Production:	10,000
UPC:	098652900083
SRP:	\$11.99



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