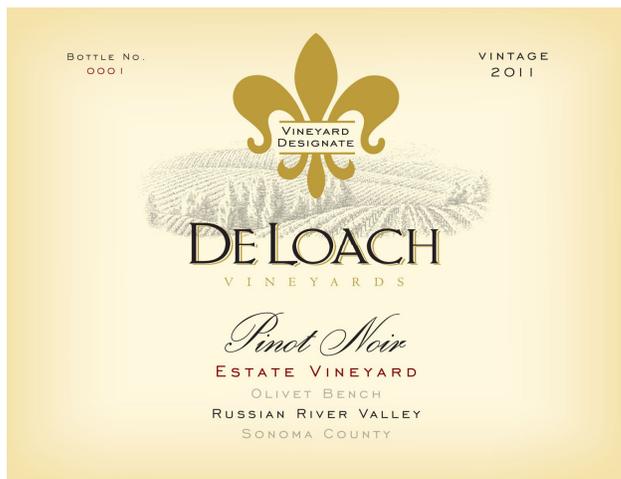




DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*The Russian River Valley Original*



**Appellation**  
Russian River Valley

**Harvest Date**  
Sept 24 – Oct 4, 2011

**Alcohol**  
13.5% by volume

**pH**  
3.62

**Titratable Acidity**  
5.51 g/L

**Aged in Oak**  
100%  
~ 30% New Oak ~

**Origin of Oak**  
French

**Months in Barrel**  
13

**Cases Produced**  
517



## 2011 ESTATE COLLECTION PINOT NOIR

### In the Vineyard

On February 3, 2010, Demeter USA, the only certification agent for Biodynamic® farms in the United States, certified the 17-acre estate vineyard and garden at DeLoach Vineyards, fully compliant with their standards for Demeter Biodynamic status. As one of only sixty-four wineries or vineyards in the U.S. with Demeter certified Biodynamic estates vineyards, DeLoach is among an elite group of sustainable wine grape growers committed to farming in parallel with the Earth's natural cycles.

The 2011 vintage in the Russian River Valley and across California was known as a trying one for wine grape growers in terms of weather and climate conditions; however, while yields were low, the quality of grapes harvest were quite impressive.

### Conversations with the Winemaker

The 2011 Estate Pinot Noir is made using six of our eight estate clones – 115, 777, Swan, LT, Calera and 828. Calera and 828 are fermented separately, forming the base of this vintage. Calera contributes spice and red berry characteristics. Clone 828 was the last to be picked. With its ripe stems, we were able to ferment 100% whole cluster. This allowed the darker colors and the deeper flavors of plum and blackberry to develop. The 115 and Swan were co-fermented as were the 777 and LT contributing minerality, spice and depth of character. All were fermented using their native yeasts.

### Tasting Notes

This wine intrigues with subtle fresh fruit aromas of blueberries and strawberries intermixed with hints of pine resin and anise. The deep perfume leads to flavors of red plums with a touch of white pepper. Its medium body and structured tannins make it the perfect accompaniment to a wide variety of foods.

*Jean Charles Boisset*

Jean-Charles Boisset  
Proprietor

*Brian Maloney*

Brian Maloney  
Winemaker