

CALIFORNIA'S FIRST PREMIUM WINERY

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Buena Vista Winery

VINICULTURAL SOCIETY

2012 BELA'S SELECTION PINOT NOIR

The Buena Vista Vinicultural Society, formed in 1863 by the winery's founder, Count Agoston Haraszthy, to further improve its winemaking prowess and expand its vineyards, has been restored as a collection of unique, small-production wines that honor the winery's pioneering spirit and contribution to California winemaking.

The Vinicultural Society explores clonal selections, varietals and the incredible terroir of the Sonoma Coast. Named for Count Haraszthy's youngest son, Bela's Selection Pinot Noir hails from two vineyards in the Sebastopol Hills area of the Russian River Valley. Planted to clones 667, Pommard and 23, the vineyards are farmed for their perfect Pinot Noir growing conditions and excellent terroir. The grapes harvested from these vineyards offer rich earthy notes and ripe red fruit flavors.

Once harvested, the whole berries were fermented in small open-top oak vats with hand punch downs, then basket pressed to barrel for secondary fermentation on the lees. The wine was aged for 15 months in 100% French oak barrels.

Our 2012 Bela's Selection Pinot Noir is a striking ruby color in the glass and opens with inviting aromas of raspberry and sandalwood that lead to enticing red fruit flavors and notes of shitake and forest floor that linger on the back palate.

Alcohol: 15%

pH: 3.71

Total Acidity: 6.10 g/L

Aging: 15 months, 100% French oak barrels

Cases Produced: 300

