



DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*The Russian River Valley Original*



**Appellation:**  
Marin County

**Alcohol:**

**pH:**  
3.69

**Titrateable Acidity:**  
5.4 g/L

**Aged in Oak:**  
100%

20% New

**Origin of Oak:**  
French

**Months in Barrel:**  
16

**Production:**  
300 cases

## 2013 MARIN COUNTY PINOT NOIR

### **In the Vineyard**

With the Pacific Ocean to the west and the San Francisco Bay to the east, Marin County is one of the coolest AVAs in California. The winter temperatures are typically warmer than Napa and Sonoma because of the surrounding bodies of water and its heavy precipitation. While bud break is accelerated, the cool spring and summer seasons lead to long hang times. This longer growing season lends itself to high quality wines with balance, natural acidity, and lower alcohol levels.

### **Conversations with the Winemaker**

A blend of four distinct sites throughout Marin County, the base of this cool climate Pinot Noir is formed from two mature vineyards in the northernmost reaches of the Marin County appellation that border the Petaluma Gap: the Stubbs and Corda Vineyards. The grapes from these vineyards were hand harvested and fermented in a combination of small open top fermenters and aged in 100% French oak barrels 20% new for 16 months.

### **Tasting Notes**

Bringing together the best fruit from our Marin County growing partners, this captivating Pinot Noir opens with enticing red berry aromas and hints of cocoa. Upon the palate, ripe, rich flavors of strawberry and raspberry with a touch of vanilla offer succulent, soft tannins and well-balance acidity that leads to a long finish. A perfect pairing with a variety of culinary creations!

Jean-Charles Boisset  
Proprietor

Brian Maloney  
Winemaker