



DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*The Russian River Valley Original*



## 2015 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR

### IN THE VINEYARD

The cool, foggy Russian River Valley climate allows for slow ripening and enables our grapes to develop full flavor maturation over an extended time. To create our 2015 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir, grapes were predominantly hand-harvested from the BCD Vineyard, the Becnel Vineyard, the Heintz Vineyard and the Murray Vineyard. Each of these Russian River Valley Vineyards contributes their unique complexities to the final blend.

The BCD Vineyard consists of five distinct blocks within the vineyard with soils varying from Huichica clay loam to heavier clay being found in some of the lower lying portions of the vineyard. The Becnel Vineyard has shown to have incredibly intense red fruit characteristics with a moderate tannin presence giving our wine focus and depth. Located in the town of Occidental, the Heintz Vineyard is located in the Green Valley sub AVA and is planted to four distinct clones. The Swan and Pommard clones have traditionally provided a concentrated mouthfeel and earthy characteristics to the wines made from the vineyard, while the 113 and Beringer clones bring more spice and tannic intensity to the wines. The Murray Vineyard, located in the cooler Llano region of the Russian River Valley, contributes a rich, plush mouthfeel with raspberry and dark cherry characteristics. Together, these vineyards produce the backbone of our Russian River Valley.

### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Crafted using traditional Burgundian techniques, the grapes were hand-sorted then fermented in small vats with all punch-downs done by hand. We aged the wine for 10 months in 60 gallon French oak barrels, 25% new oak, to create a complex, multi-layered Pinot Noir.

### TASTING NOTES

A delightful ruby color in the glass, our 2015 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir offers aromas of sweet red fruits with hints of vanilla. Flavors of cherry, raspberry, plum and clove mingle upon the palate, displaying balanced structure, medium body and moderate tannins. Made to be immediately enjoyable, this wine is a perfect accompaniment to wood-fired pizza or mushroom risotto.

Appellation  
Russian River Valley

Aged in Oak  
100%

Alcohol  
14.5% by volume

25% New Oak

pH  
3.47

Origin of Oak  
French

Titrateable Acidity  
6.0 g/L

Months in Barrel  
10

*Jean Charles Boisset*  
Jean-Charles Boisset  
Proprietor

*Brian Maloney*  
Brian Maloney  
Winemaker