



DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*The Russian River Valley Original*



**APPELLATION**  
Russian River Valley

**ALCOHOL**  
13.5% by volume

**PH**  
3.4

**TITRATABLE ACIDITY**  
6.5 g/L

**AGED IN OAK**  
100%, 50% New

**ORIGIN OF OAK**  
French

**MONTHS IN BARREL**  
15

## 2015 PENNACCHIO VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

### IN THE VINEYARD

The Pennacchio Vineyard is located in the cool southwestern reaches of the Sebastopol hills. The vineyard is on an easterly facing slope beneath coastal ridges that protect it from the ocean's cooling fog. The vineyard is planted with a single Pinot noir selection - Clone 115 - on Saint George rootstock. This unusual pairing of clone and rootstock contributes to a more robust growth, delayed ripening and larger clusters. The fruit from this vineyard is the very definition of our focus on terroir.

The 2015 vintage in Sonoma County was the earliest harvested vintage to date. A hot and dry summer led to developed fruit and rich, ripe, concentrated flavors and exceptional quality.

### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Hand-picked at optimal ripeness at the beginning of September, the berries were de-stemmed and punched down by hand in wooden vats. Basket pressed directly to barrel, the wine finished its fermentation upon its lees before being racked and aged for 15 months in 100% French oak, 50% new.

### TASTING NOTES

Our 2015 Pennacchio Vineyard Pinot Noir opens with enticing ripe, red fruit aromatics with notes of soft sandalwood. Focused flavors of plum and ripe raspberry, black cherry and a touch of cardamom gently spread across the palate. Broad and richly textured with silky tannins and full body, this well-balanced Pinot pairs well with seared duck breast or a hearty mushroom risotto.

Jean-Charles Boisset  
Proprietor

Brian Maloney  
Winemaker