

The Russian River Valley Original



APPELLATION: Sonoma Mountain

Alcohol: 15%

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TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 6.1 g/L

Aged in Oak: 100%

33% New Oak

Origin of Oak: French

Months in Barrel: 15

Production: 250

2015 VAN DER KAMP VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

In the Vineyard

Family-owned by Martin, Dixie and Ulysses van der Kamp, this site sustains some of the oldest Pinot Noir vines in Sonoma County. Its terroir is unique in that fog banks from opposite sides meet and swirl overhead to form an opening through which the sun bathes the land to temper the cool mountain atmosphere, resulting in a unique microclimate. Myriad of old-vine and Dijon clones are planted across the property along with a small amount of Pinot Meunier, allowing the winemaker an opportunity to create a "blended" wine within the vineyard designate concept.

The van der Kamp family embraces natural farming and non-invasive techniques. The vineyard has a great amount of variation in soil types, slopes, and sun and wind exposure. Warm days are cooled by foggy nights allowing optimal conditions for rich flavor and balanced acidity to develop.

From the Winemaker

Hand harvested at night from this vintage includes clones 777, La Tache, Old Vine and II3 blended with 8% Pinot Meunier. After harvest the grapes were fermented in open top fermenters with hand punch downs before being aged in 33% new French oak for I5 months.

Tasting Notes

A stunning ruby hue in the glass, our 2015 van der Kamp Pinot Noir offers enticing aromatics of rose petal and brambleberry. Rich flavors of ripe cherry, dusty plum and orange zest are complemented by earthy notes of shiitake mushroom and a touch of cocoa. Beautifully balanced with firm tannins and medium body, this wine is immediately enjoyable but will also age gracefully over the next 5-7 years.

Jean Charles Boinet

Jean-Charles Boisset
Proprietor

BRIAN MALONEY
Winemaker