



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



Appellation: Russian River Valley

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.69

TA: 5.5 g/L

Aging: 100% French oak, 35% new

Months in Barrel: 15

Production: 275 cases

2016 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.

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, 35% new.

TASTING NOTES

The Pennacchio Vineyard Pinot Noir is always a big, intense Pinot Noir with concentrated, dark fruit flavors. Black cherries and plums are accented with notes of dried rose petals and wet stone. A full-bodied Pinot Noir, this wine pairs well with wild game or glazed duck.

Jean-Charles Boisset
Proprietor

Brian Maloney
Winemaker