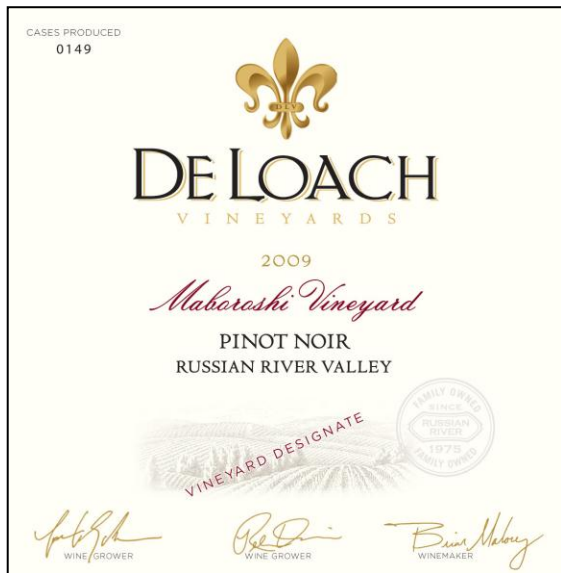




DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



2009 MABOROSHI VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

In the Vineyard

Nestled in the Sonoma Coast hills southwest of Sebastopol, the Maboroshi Vineyard, Japanese for "whimsical dream", lies at 600 ft elevation, and is one of the first spots to clear from the morning fog as ridges to the west shelter the site from any lingering marine layer. Fine Goldridge loam nurtures the vines, and the Kisaichi family meticulously tends to them using sustainable methods.

Appellation:
Russian River Valley

Harvest Date:
Sept 19 thru Sept 21

Alcohol:
14.5% by volume

pH:
3.62

Titrateable Acidity:
6.1 g/L

Aged in Oak:
100%
~33% New Oak~

Origin of Oak:
French

Months in Barrel:
14

Production:
149 Cases

Conversations with the Winemaker

Whole berries were fermented in small open-top oak vats with hand punch downs, then basket pressed to barrel for secondary fermentation on the lees. Some second-fill barrels were used to lend softness to the oak characteristics.

Tasting Notes

The rich, beautiful color of this Pinot Noir opens with lots of fruit on the nose along with some floral notes. The raspberry and brambly fruit flavors intermingle with notes of dried rose petals, olive tapenade, cloves and baking spice. This wine opens up in the glass leading to a plush mouthfeel and a long, lingering finish.

Jean Charles Boisset

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET
Proprietor

Brian Maloney

BRIAN MALONEY
Winemaker