

# 2013 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir

### Young Wine with an Old Soul

A youthfully exuberant wine with surprising and satisfying complexity and depth. Initially, the wine shows its youthful side with vibrant strawberry and red cherry fruit and aromas of orange peel, lavender and stony minerality. More time in the glass and on the palate reveals blueberry, boysenberry and dark cherry flavors with lively acidity, spicy clove and anise notes and a velvety mouth feel. Fine grained French oak tannins contribute to a long and lingering finish, with hints of pomegranate, cola and black tea. This is an amazingly complex and structured wine for one so young.

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Tasting Notes This wine exemplifies Pinot Noir from the Sebastopol Hills region of the Sonoma Coast appellation. It has its young side: fruit forward with abundant fresh berry flavors, but also complex and refined; characteristics typically found in older wines. We encourage decanting the wine as that encourages the wine's multifaceted layers to emerge and suggests what time in the cellar may reveal. Winemaker Alex Kanzler says: "Decant it or just give the wine time to breathe in the glass, and it becomes darker, more concentrated and compelling from the nose to the finish."

#### Vineyard Notes

Late March rains and a benign frost season got things off to a good start. Summer was warm but Mother Nature was kind and didn't visit us with any of the intense hot spells we typically experience at least once or twice a year. Basically, it was a succession of warm sunny days and an almost ideal growing season.

#### **Production Notes**

797cases produced.

#### Winemaker Notes

Kanzler fruit is hand-picked, hand-sorted and placed in individual 1-ton fermentation bins. About 15% is whole clusters. A 5 day cold soak followed by a gradual warm-up allows fermentation to start naturally. The wine was aged on-lees for 14 months in 100% French oak, 33% new. It was bottled February 2, 2015.

#### Harvest Notes

While not as bountiful at 2012, 2013 was a nearly ideal growing season. A generally rain-free fall allowed good hang time yielding beautiful, concentrated, balanced fruit.

Wine Specs	
Vintage	2013
Varietal	Pinot Noir
Appellation	Sonoma Coast
Harvest Date	First pick Oct. 4th Last fruit was harvested on Oct. 15th
Aging	16 months total
<b>Bottling Date</b>	2/2/2015
Alcohol %	14.4% by volume

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