

Vintage 2015

Varietal 100% Pinot Noir

**Appellation** Russian River Valley

Vineyard Castiglioni

Oak 45% new French oak

**Aging** 10 months

Alcohol 14.5%

**Production** 220 cases



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# RUSSIAN RIVER PINOT NOIR

Rolando feels passionately that the Russian River provides one of the world's best micro-climates for Pinot Noir. The cool climate allows for a long growing season and yields rich and concentrated grapes.

STARTING IN THE

#### VINEYARD

The 2015 Vintage will be remembered for its remarkably low yields of excellent, concentrated fruit. Lower concentrations of rainfall paired with moderate spring weather brought an earlier than anticipated bud break and bloom. Sunny skies through the summer months led to inevitable veraison and harvest. The well known warm weather of beautiful Napa days followed by the cool evening bay breeze produced evenly ripened fruit with ideal hang time.

TO THE

## **CELLAR**

Once the grapes are destemmed, they are fermented in chilled steel tanks to preserve the fresh fruit and juicy flavors. 25 days of skin contact extract a remarkably rich color and ripe tannins.

**IN YOUR** 

## **GLASS**

Deep crimson, roses, spice and baked raspberries on the nose. A hint of bay leaf completes the bouquet of this aromatic wine. On the palate the nose is echoed with bright bramble fruit flavors and an undercurrent of cinnamon, cedar and florals. The finish displays fine grained tannins that indicate this wine will age with grace. This is a bold Pinot Noir and the richness of its flavors are sure to make a dynamic impression.

**ON YOUR** 

### TABLE

The uniquely rich body and deep color of this Pinot Noir calls for the meaty and earthy flavors of a roasted pork loin and mushroom risotto. For lighter fare, pair with grilled salmon and roasted tomatoes.