



PAPAPIETRO PERRY

2004

ELSBREE VINEYARDS

Russian River Valley

P I N O T N O I R

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

We've been using fruit from the Elsbree Vineyards for blending in our Russian River Valley Pinot for a few years now. After tasting this fruit before bottling, it was a unanimous decision to bottle it as a vineyard designate this year.

Elsbree Vineyards is located in Windsor off Arata Lane. They continually produce excellent fruit. Planted on a steep knob, the vineyard has a mix of Pinot Clones on different rootstocks. This gives the grapes a superior field-blend of flavors; fruit with plenty of layers and superb depth.

The 2004 growing season was quite unusual. It was very warm early in the season which resulted in the grapes ripening very early. The sugars were high, so the fermentation process was quite a challenge. We held round the clock watches while the grapes were fermenting—they needed checking every hour. The harvest was the most difficult I have ever personally participated in. As you can well imagine, we're very thrilled with the outcome after such a tough harvest. We hope you enjoy the fruits of our labor!

Salute!

TASTING NOTES

Pleasing ruby color invites you to breath in the nose of spice, strawberry and smoke. Once on the palate you'll delight in the spice, cinnamon, nutmeg and earthy flavors enhanced by the structured tannins and well balanced acid. The long finish is full of spice and ripe fruit.

WINE PROFILE

Varietal:	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation:	Russian River Valley
Harvest Dates:	August 18, 2004
Brix at Harvest:	26.5
Alcohol:	14.8
T.A.:	.666g/100 ml
pH:	3.73
Residual Sugar:	Dry
Cooperage:	12 Months in Francois Frères French oak, 25% new oak 75% 1-2 year old
Bottled:	September 1, 2005
Production:	450 cases/750 ml 200 cases/375/ml Limited number of Magnums available

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