



# PAPAPIETRO PERRY

2008

NUNES VINEYARD

*Russian River Valley*  
P I N O T N O I R

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Located on the last of Russian River Valley's alluvial bench with its silty clay loam soil, Nunes Vineyard provides us perfectly ripened grapes vintage after vintage. The valley's renowned fog is a natural cooling system influencing from two directions, the Pacific Ocean from the west, and San Francisco Bay from the south, the perfect condition for a long cool growing season. Fred and Wendy Nunes combine a passion for growing Pinot Noir with a comprehensive knowledge of their vineyard and the science that drives it. Between Mother Nature and the Nunes', this vineyard has all the components we need to produce stellar Pinot Noir that speaks from the vineyard.

We have carefully refined our winemaking techniques in a way that defines our unique Pinot Noirs, separating the grapes by clone during fermentation and aging. This gives us many more blending options. We cold soak the grapes two to three days before adding several different types of yeast, cultured specifically for Pinot Noir. During the seven to twelve days it takes to ferment, we hand-punch each fermenter, sometimes as often as five or six times a day to ensure that the temperature doesn't get too warm. Once the juice is fermented, we press the fruit and move the wine into Francois Frères French oak barrels, and then age for 11 months before bottling.

*Ben R. Papapietro*

## TASTING NOTES

Medium ruby color with deep, spicy red cherry aromas; rich, deep, lush red cherry flavors with spicy and earthy notes; silky texture; sweet oak; great structure and balance leading to a smooth long finish. Lush and spicy Pinot that's terrific to drink by itself. Drink now through 2018.

## WINE PROFILE

**Varietal:** 100% Pinot Noir  
**Appellation:** Russian River Valley  
**Harvest Dates:** Sept.5-Sept.9, 2008  
**Brix at Harvest:** 23.9°-25.6°

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**T.A.:** 0.619g/100ml

**pH:** 3.61

**Residual Sugar:** Dry

**Cooperage:** 11 months in  
Francois Frères  
French oak,  
50% new,  
50% 1 & 2-year-old

**Bottled:** August 20, 2009

**Production:** 295 cases 750 ml

**Retail Price:** \$54./750 ml  
\$118./1.5 L  
\$400/3 L

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