



# PAPAPIETRO PERRY

2011

LERAS FAMILY VINEYARDS

*Russian River Valley*

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## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The Leras Family Vineyard, located in the heart of the Russian River Valley off Woolsey Road, is planted with Pommard clones that are approximately 13 years old, as well as newer vine clones 115, 667 and 777. This vineyard embodies earthiness and minerals, the signature of Pinot Noir grown in the Russian River Valley.

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.

## TASTING NOTES

Medium-deep ruby color; earthy cherry aromas complemented by herbal and savory notes; lush, rich flavors of cherry with earthy notes and toasty oak on the palate; great structure and balance leading to a clean long finish. A full well balanced Pinot. It really opens up with a little time in the glass. Drink now through 2021.

## WINE PROFILE

<b>Varietal:</b>	100% Pinot Noir
<b>Appellation:</b>	Russian River Valley
<b>Harvest Dates:</b>	Sept 20—26, 2011
<b>Brix at Harvest:</b>	24.9°
<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.9%
<b>T.A.:</b>	0.601g/100ml
<b>pH:</b>	3.76
<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	Dry
<b>Cooperage:</b>	10 months in Francois Frères French oak, 50% new, 50% 1 & 2-year-old
<b>Bottled:</b>	August 19, 2012
<b>Production:</b>	920 cases 750ml 16c / 1.5L

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