

2014

LERAS FAMILY VINEYARDS

<u>Russian River Valley</u> PINOT NOIR

## **WINEMAKER'S NOTES**

The Leras Family Vineyards, located in the heart of the Russian River Valley off Woolsey Road and called God's Little Acre, is planted with Pommard clones that are approximately 13 years old, as well as newer vine clones Beringer Heritage, 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 and vineyard 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, up to four 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 Fréres French oak barrels, and then age for at least 11 months before bottling.

Ben R. Capapiello

## **WINE PROFILE**

Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir

**Appellation**: Russian River Valley

Harvest Date: September 6, 2014

**Alcohol:** 13.7%

**T.A.:** .6g/100ml

**pH**: 3.8

RS: Dry

Cooperage: 11 months in

Francois Frères French oak, 50% new,

50% 1-2 year-old

Bottled: August 10, 2015

Production: 954 cases / 750ml

16c / 1.5L

## **TASTING NOTES**

Beautiful ruby color with aromas of sweet red fruit, bing cherry and raspberry. On the palate, concentrated flavors of Bing cherry and red apple skin with lingering cola and earthy notes. Medium bodied with bright acidity that provides a good backbone and impressive depth and concentration.

## **Papapietro Perry Winery**

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