



## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Located a few miles west of Sebastopol on the edge of the Russian River Valley appellation with Gold Ridge soil, lies Peters Vineyard, the backbone of our production and is planted with Pommard, 115 and 777 clones. An ideal location for Pinot Noir, this former apple orchard is blanketed by the cool ocean fog in the morning and evening, coaxing out the grapes' best flavors. The hot sunny days intensify the fruit and create just the flavor profile we are looking for in our wine.

Peters Vineyard was our first-ever vineyard designate, and we continue to enjoy a close relationship with grower Randy Peters. His expert vineyard management helps us to consistently produce this incredibly luscious wine.

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 François Frères French oak barrels, and then age for at least 11 months before bottling.

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## TASTING NOTES

The 2015 Peters is seductive from its dark ruby color to its lush, long finish. The expressive nose of cherry and spice pulls you into complex concentrated fruit flavors on the palate. Layers of cherries – some sweet, some more tart – meld with black raspberry and subtle hints of earth on the finish. The wine is riding a stylistic line: it is a broad, lush mouth full of wine but has mouthwatering acidity that will keep you coming back to the glass (and tempts you into pouring another glass).

## WINE PROFILE

<b>Varietal:</b>	100% Pinot Noir
<b>Appellation:</b>	Russian River Valley
<b>Harvest Date:</b>	September 3, 2015
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.1%
<b>T.A.:</b>	6.7g/l
<b>pH:</b>	3.51
<b>RS:</b>	Dry
<b>Cooperage:</b>	11 months in François Frères French oak, 50% new, 50% 1-2 year-old
<b>Bottled:</b>	August 9, 2016
<b>Production:</b>	914 cases / 750ml 16 cases / 1.5L

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