

2013 Pinot Noir Russian River Valley



THE VINEYARDS

Our 2013 Russian River Valley Pinot noir is a blend of three vineyards and offers a beautiful expression of the varietal and the cool climate and loamy soils it excels in. Wohler Vineyard Pinot noir clone Wadensville 2A forms the foundation of the wine, providing a strong base of structure, red fruit, and earthy notes. Riddle Vineyard Mt. Eden and Pommard clones balance the blend with robust dark red fruit flavors and silky tannins. Located in Green Valley, Riddle is a young vineyard with exceptional Goldridge soils and sits high up on a ridge top overlooking many of the iconic Pinot noir vineyards in the region.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2013 growing season began early, with a warm and dry spring, and the weather stayed beautiful through harvest with a moderate heat wave in early September moving the grapes to optimal ripeness. We picked all of our Pinot noir in September for the first time. Dry weather in both Winter and Spring resulted in smaller berry sizes with robust tannins, detailed aromatics and high concentration levels. Our 2013 Russian River Valley blend showcases separately fermented lots from Wohler and Riddle Vineyards that reached optimal ripeness in this exceptional vintage. In 2013 we also added another layer to the blend by including a small amount of a special Vosne–Romanee clone from the renowned Reuling Vineyard. The resulting blend has a firm balanced structure and multiple layers of dark red fruit and earth.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% de-stemmed Pinot noir
- Open-top fermentation
- Native yeast
- 50% new French oak
- Bottled unfined and unfiltered
- Bottled September 2014

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

• Alcohol: 14.2%

• pH: 3.70

• TA: 5.6 g/L

• Release date: Fall 2015

• Retail price: \$42

• 500 cases produced

AVA: Russian River Valley

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ABOUT THE WINERY

Based in the town of Sonoma, Sojourn Cellars is a highly acclaimed winery specializing in the production of artisan Pinot noir, Chardonnay, and Cabernet Sauvignon wines.

We source fruit from celebrated vineyards in both Sonoma and Napa Counties, and we help direct farming operations to assure that our grapes are produced using world-class growing techniques. We have consistently produced high-quality wines with a hands-off natural winemaking style that showcases the character and personality of individual vineyards.