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2012 Ferrington Vineyard Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The brilliant color and dark fruit profile of the Ferrington Vineyard Pinot Noir is a superb example of Pinot Noir from the Boonville area in Anderson Valley. Bing cherry and raspberry, along with floral notes and dried herbs intermingle on the nose and palate to create a vibrant wine. Elements of mineral, cardamom, nutmeg and vanilla add to the dynamic profile. The Ferrington Vineyard Pinot Noir retains a refreshing acidity, while displaying firm tannins. Hints of coffee nibs add to the lingering finish.

THE VINEYARD

Ferrington Vineyard is located in Mendocino County's Anderson Valley. The 70 acres of rich valley floor were planted with clones brought back from Burgundy. Five clones including Pommard (UCD4), 115, 777, and 667 of Pinot Noir comprise about 27 acres of this vineyard.

HARVEST 2012

Simply put, the 2012 vintage was amazing in many respects. After the cool growing seasons of 2010 and 2011, which resulted in excellent quality but very low yields, Mother Nature was smiling on us in 2012 with superb growing conditions for a bountiful harvest. The exceptional weather during the spring allowed for moderate vegetative growth, superb flowering conditions and an above average fruit set — berries and clusters sized up beyond original expectations. 2012 was a vintage where ripe mature stems, seeds and skin tannins were achieved with harmoniously balanced natural acidity. Enveloped with pure intense aromas, juicy flavors and rich textures, these structured wines are clearly the result of a truly extraordinary vintage. A vintage like this, where everything comes together perfectly, is rare and will certainly be a vintage to enjoy for many years to come!

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 64% new oak, 36% 1 year

Barrel Aged: 15 months

pH: 3.42

TA: 0.66g/100mL

Alc: 13.9%

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