



2013 Pinot Noir Manzana Vineyard



ORIGIN: The grapes for this Pinot Noir came exclusively from a vineyard farmed by the renowned Dutton Family. The Dutton family has been growing grapes in Sonoma County---specifically the Russian River Valley---for generations. Their fruit is highly prized, as their meticulous farming has shown consistency and quality over the years. Manzana vineyard is located in Green Valley of Russian River Valley, a sub-appellation known for its even colder temperatures which gives wines deeper color and intense aromatics. Only the 4 best barrels were chosen from this vineyard to assemble this wine. Each was specifically selected for showing ideal and unique traits for this wine.

VINEYARD NOTES: 2013 had ideal temperatures and growing conditions. The fruit came in the door healthy, ripe and luscious. The fruit was hand harvested in the cool evening hours on September 26th, 2013.

WINEMAKING NOTES: The fruit was gently destemmed into small open-top fermentors, using state-of-the-art equipment and procedures to avoid any pumping of must. Inoculation with select yeast strains followed a three-day cold soak, and the caps were managed with a combination of pumpovers and punchdowns. After 12 months of ageing in exclusively French oak barrels, 25% of which were new, we bottled in October of 2014.

TASTING NOTES: Intense dark purple in color, perfumed nose of dried flowers and Bing Cherry. Rich blackberry fruit and tobacco flavors round out the palate while a strum of acidity keep this wine bright. Have patience and age this wine.

This vintage produced 95 (9L) cases, 4 barrels.
Suggested Retail Price \$54

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