



2015 Pinot Noir Thale's Vineyard

ORIGIN: Our Thale's Vineyard is located in the northernmost part of the Russian River Valley in an area known as the Middle Reach. Named after Steve MacRostie's wife, Thale (pronounced Thay-lee), this has been MacRostie's estate vineyard since 2013. The roughly fourteen acre property is partitioned and planted as eleven different blocks. Each block varies in clone, aspect, soil type and year planted, offering great complexity within our estate property.

VINTAGE NOTES: The 2015 growing season was marked with low yields and warm weather. Blocks A, D, F2 and G went into this Pinot Noir and were picked on different days from August 19th to September 3rd, of 2015. The fruit was ripe and pristine when it came through our doors.

WINEMAKING NOTES: The fruit was gently destemmed into small open-top fermenters, using state-of-the-art equipment and procedures to avoid any pumping of the must. Inoculation with a select yeast strain followed a three-day cold soak, and the caps were managed with a combination of pump overs and punch downs. This wine was aged for 12 months in 37% new French oak. It was on bottled August 1st, 2016.

TASTING NOTES: The 2015 Thale's Vineyard Pinot Noir has a dense garnet color. Exotic floral aromas are immediately noticeable as you go to taste this wine. On the palate, mouth filling layers of blueberry and black cherry are supported by sophisticated flavors of French Oak that provide a rich, round impression on the mid-palate. The finish is long and luxurious with hints of oak and juicy berry fruit.

This vintage produced 740 (9L) cases, 28 barrels



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