

Kistler Vineyards



2009 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR

Our 2009 Russian River Pinot Noir is made from a selection of lots from the earliest ripening portions of our vineyards which are situated along the lean ridges overlooking the Russian River Valley. Three specific blocks, from two of our plantings on Goldridge soils known to produce elegant fruit were used in this bottling. The fruit was selected for harvest based on its ability to display its vibrant nature and inherent balance. The 2009 Russian River Valley is comprised solely of the heritage clones of Pinot Noir that drive the best of our efforts and offers genuine characteristics of the appellation.

Winemaking:

100% Pinot Noir

Fermented in open top fermenters, destemmed fruit

60% new 3 year air dried French oak barrels, 40% one year old barrels

Barrel Aged 14 months

Bottled without filtration or fining Dec 17, 2010.

Tasting Notes:

Bright and delicate nose of black cherry, red raspberry touched by a hint of crushed rose petals and light spice. Mid-weight palate centered around a racy spine of acid. The slightest of refined, dusty tannins lead to a sumptuous cleansing finish that lingers on the palate.

Availability:

The 2009 Kistler Vineyards Russian River Pinot Noir is available at select restaurants around the world. For more information, please visit www.kistlervineyards.com