

MIGRATION[®]

2010 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR – DUTTON RANCH

Since our first vintage in 2001, Migration has developed a refined and compelling style that balances vibrancy and finesse. Defined by the idea of movement, Migration is dedicated to going beyond our Anderson Valley origins and exploring Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from the finest cool-climate winegrowing regions. This exploration has taken us to the hillsides of Dutton Ranch in the heart of Green Valley - the coolest and foggiest part of the Russian River Valley. At Dutton Ranch, ideal Goldridge soils, and a mix of elite clones, produce a complex and aromatically driven wine with bright cherry, cranberry and red raspberry layers, supported by beautiful acidity and sophisticated notes of Asian spice and earth.

IN THE VINEYARD

Though the beginning of the growing season was cold and wet, we had a successful bloom and set. Because the cool weather continued into summer, we applied extensive canopy management and vineyard floor cultivation, with little-to-no irrigation. After heat spikes in late August and early September, the end of the season was nice and temperate, and we were able to harvest ripe, high-quality fruit before any rain events. Despite its challenges, 2010 proved excellent for cool-climate winegrowing, delivering elegant wines with depth of flavor and superb balance at relatively low Brix.

COMMENTS FROM THE WINEMAKER

A lovely expression of the cool growing season, this wine is pure and focused with beautiful acidity and an excellent tannin structure. On the nose, bright red cherry and plum aromas mingle with hints of orange blossom, herbs and spice. These notes are echoed on the palate along with a touch of menthol. This is a deep, elegant wine with outstanding aging potential.

VARIETAL CONTENT

100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST INFORMATION

Harvest Dates: October 4 - 10, 2010
Average Sugar at Harvest: 24.5° Brix
2 Vineyards Harvested

COOPERAGE

100% French Oak
45% New Oak, 55% Second Vintage
Barrel Aging: 10 Months

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.5%
0.53 g/100 ml titratable acidity
pH: 3.72

Bottled: July 2011
Release Date: September 2012

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