# MIGRATION

# 2012 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

With near-ideal temperatures throughout the growing season, and no significant heat events, we were able to set an excellent crop and achieve optimum ripeness. We further enhanced quality by dropping any grape bunches that did not meet our exacting standards. This helped the remaining fruit to develop concentrated varietal character, and resulted in wines that are dark, full, flavorful and very well balanced.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE WINEMAKER**

The nose of this wine reveals its cool-climate origins with lovely red fruit aromas of cranberry and Bing cherry, along with deeper bass notes of forest floor, mushroom and hints of rose petal. On the palate, it is elegant and bright with layers of sour cherry, strawberry, clove, tealeaf and earth.

#### VARIETAL CONTENT

100% Pinot Noir

# HARVEST INFORMATION

Harvest Dates: October 15, 2012 Average Sugar at Harvest: 24.5° Brix 2 Vineyards Harvested

#### COOPERAGE

100% French Oak 45% New Oak, 55% Second Vintage Barrel Aging: 14 Months

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

Alcohol: 14.5% 0.46 g/100 ml titratable acidity pH: 3.88

Bottled: July 2013 Release Date: September 2014

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