

Goldeneye®

ANDERSON VALLEY

2013 ANDERSON VALLEY PINOT NOIR
THE NARROWS VINEYARD

Situated on a narrow ridgetop at the northernmost tip of the Anderson Valley, The Narrows Vineyard is a historic mountain ranch planted with mature Pinot Noir vines. A mere 10 miles from the rugged Mendocino Coast, our low-yielding hillside vineyard is affected by strong marine influences that produce summer fog and cooler daytime temperatures. These extreme conditions provide the perfect setting for growing grapes of great intensity, resulting in a complex Pinot Noir of depth that embodies the vineyard's wild beauty and natural intensity.

IN THE VINEYARD

An extremely dry winter was followed by just enough spring rain to carry us through to a successful harvest. With very few frost days, the fruit set was excellent throughout our estate vineyards. To ensure a perfectly sized, well-balanced crop we were very active in fruit dropping. The remaining clusters were compact, with the abundant small berries that are perfect for high-quality wine. We started harvest 10 days earlier than normal, during a period of ideal temperate weather that allowed us to pick at a leisurely pace, while ensuring optimal ripeness. The resulting wines are marked by a complexity only achieved in cooler years with coursing acidity, beautiful high-toned fruit and nuanced minerality.

COMMENTS FROM THE WINEMAKER

The Narrows is the hidden gem of the Goldeneye portfolio. Nestled on a steep hillside amongst an enclave of redwoods, this wine evokes the aromas and flavors of its surroundings. Steeped in wild mushroom, forest floor, pennyroyal and cedar, The Narrows Vineyard offers elements of the exotic and untamed. The result is a wine that is as complex as it is rustic, with deep blue fruit notes and a lovely core of terroir-inspired wildness.

VARIETAL CONTENT

100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST INFORMATION

Appellation: Anderson Valley

Harvest Dates: October 5 – 8, 2013

Average Sugar at Harvest: 25.0° Brix

1 Vineyard Harvested

COOPERAGE

60% New, 40% Second Vintage French oak

Medium toast: Allier, Vosges and Tronçais Forests

Barrel Aging: 16 Months

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.5%

0.52 g/100 ml titratable acidity

pH: 3.81

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