

2014 Sonoma County Pinot Noir

Building on the traditions established by our acclaimed Goldeneye and Migration wines, Decoy Pinot Noir expands our exploration of the depth and diversity of this varietal to Sonoma County winegrowing. Highlighting a distinctly plush and approachable expression of Pinot Noir, Decoy is crafted to be ready upon release.

2014 Harvest Notes

The 2014 growing season got off to a fast start, with the vines awaking early in spring. Though drought conditions continued throughout California, moderate summer weather and a lack of any long-term heat spikes allowed us to avoid any issues. The steady weather contributed to ideal even ripening, and our first pick came into the winery in early August—one of our earliest starts on record. By the time the first rains arrived in late September, harvest was essentially complete. As a result, for the third straight year, the quality of the harvest was exceptional.

Comments from the Winemaker

Made from a blend of Pinot Noir grapes from the Russian River Valley, Sonoma Coast and Carneros, this vivid and alluring wine displays a beautiful bouquet of fresh-picked strawberry, raspberry and blackberry, with hints of violet and white pepper. On the palate, the tannins are soft and silky, carrying the wine to a long, ripe berry finish.

Varietal Content 100% Pinot Noir

Harvest Information Harvest Dates: September 2 – 28, 2014 Average Sugar at Harvest: 24.6° Brix

Cooperage

8 months 100% French Oak 25% New, 75% Neutral

Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 13.9% 0.55 g/100 ml titratable acidity 12 days fermentation at 80°F pH: 3.65 Bottled: July 2015 Released: November 2015

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