

# MIGRATION<sup>®</sup>

## 2009 ANDERSON VALLEY PINOT NOIR

Defined by the idea of movement, Migration is dedicated to exploring Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from the finest cool-climate winegrowing regions. This exploration began in California's acclaimed Anderson Valley, where cool nights, clay soils and fog-enveloped mornings helped to shape a refined and compelling style balancing vibrancy and finesse. Following in this tradition, this lush, complex wine highlights signature Anderson Valley elements of dark cherry and ripe wild strawberry.

### IN THE VINEYARD

A dry winter and spring in the Anderson Valley limited canopy growth and yields. Throughout the summer, the weather was near ideal with moderate daytime temperatures. At the same time, the valley's proximity to the Pacific ensured a regular cooling influence, resulting in diurnal temperature swings of almost 40 degrees Fahrenheit. September brought a sustained heat spell with temperatures reaching the low 100s, giving the grapes a final push toward perfect ripeness.

### COMMENTS FROM THE WINEMAKER

This is a complex, red fruit-driven Pinot Noir with a rich entry, balanced acidity, good length and substantial structure. In both the aromatics and on the palate, enticing notes of cranberry and strawberry take center stage supported by layers of cola and spice, as well as savory elements of leather, tomato leaf and bacon fat.

### VARIETAL CONTENT

100% Pinot Noir

### HARVEST INFORMATION

Harvest Dates: September 18 – October 22, 2009

Average Sugar at Harvest: 26.2° Brix

7 Vineyards Harvested

### COOPERAGE

100% French Oak

45% New Oak, 55% Second Vintage

Barrel Aging: 10 Months

### TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.5%

0.50 g/100 ml titratable acidity

pH: 3.87

Bottled: July 2010

Release Date: September 2011

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