

MIGRATION[®]

2010 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

The season began with a wet winter and spring. Despite rain and cool temperatures we had a window of good weather during bloom and saw little-or-no shatter. We chose not to do any substantial leaf stripping. As a result, we saw almost no sun damage during a heat event in late August. This ideal hot weather allowed the vines to focus on ripening. Harvest began on September 15, and we picked block by block over five weeks. Overall, the 2010 vintage produced great color, fantastic aromatics and balanced acids, all with the fleshy structure and texture that are hallmarks of great Anderson Valley Pinot Noir.

COMMENTS FROM THE WINEMAKER

This wine displays lovely complexity with a rich entry, balanced acidity, good length and substantial structure. On the palate, it showcases vibrant red fruit with enticing notes of cranberry and strawberry supported by layers of cola and spice. Savory elements of leather, tomato leaf and bacon fat add depth and nuance throughout.

VARIETAL CONTENT

100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST INFORMATION

Harvest Dates: October 4 – 30, 2010
Average Sugar at Harvest: 24.5° Brix
8 Vineyards Harvested

COOPERAGE

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

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.5%
0.52 g/100 ml titratable acidity
pH: 3.77

Bottled: July 2011
Release Date: September 2012

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