

MIGRATION[®]

2011 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 2011 growing season was one of the coldest in memory. In the vineyard, we benefited from our experience as cool-climate winegrowers, and the exacting control we are able to apply to our Estate vineyards. We adjusted practices to compensate for the weather, with extra leaf pulling and vineyard-floor cultivation. We also did extensive fruit drops in multiple passes to encourage complete ripening, with overall yields of approximately 2 tons per acre. The long, temperate season allowed for extended hangtime, and the majority of our grapes were harvested before the rains. The resulting wines are bright and elegant, with slightly lower alcohols, lovely aromatics, natural acidity and pure fruit flavors.

COMMENTS FROM THE WINEMAKER

With its red and blue fruit aromatics and enticing notes of rhubarb, bacon fat and toast, there is a lovely Anderson Valley quality to this Pinot Noir. On the palate, it is long and elegant with seamless oak, refreshing acidity and youthful, yet well-integrated tannins. It is lovely to drink now, but also cellar-worthy.

VARIETAL CONTENT

100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST INFORMATION

Harvest Dates: September 30 – October 15, 2011

Average Sugar at Harvest: 24.5° Brix

4 Vineyards Harvested

COOPERAGE

100% French Oak

45% New Oak, 55% Second Vintage

Barrel Aging: 14 Months

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.5%

0.47 g/100 ml titratable acidity

pH: 3.91

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