MIGRATION'

2011 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR

Since our first vintage in 2001, Migration has developed a refined and compelling style that balances vibrancy and finesse. Defined by the idea of movement, Migration is dedicated to going beyond our Anderson Valley origins and exploring Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from the finest cool-climate winegrowing regions. This exploration has taken us to the storied vineyards of California's Russian River Valley, where clockwork fog and Goldridge sandy loam soils have contributed to a Pinot Noir with beautiful, high-tone red fruit flavors of strawberry, cherry and cranberry and enticing hints of orange-cinnamon spice.

IN THE VINEYARD

The 2011 growing season was one of the coolest in memory. To counteract uneven vine growth due to unusual spring weather, we did meticulous green thinning. We also gently opened up the canopy to expose the fruit, were judicious in our picking schedule, and sorted meticulously both in the vineyards and winery. The majority of our Pinot Noir came in before the October rains. The resulting wines are bright and elegant with slightly lower alcohols, lovely aromatics, natural acidity and pure fruit flavors.

COMMENTS FROM THE WINEMAKER

From its deep ruby color to its intense berry, earth and spice aromas and rich texture, this wine captures the essence of great Russian River Valley Pinot Noir. The nose offers abundant layers of cherry, raspberry, strawberry and blackberry with subtle oak adding nuance and complexity. The deep, red fruit elements continue on the palate, where hints of spice and tobacco leaf add to the long, rich mouthfeel, and an equally long-lasting finish.

VARIETAL CONTENT

100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST INFORMATION

Harvest Dates: September 21 – October 1, 2011 Average Sugar at Harvest: 25° Brix 7 Vineyards Harvested

COOPERAGE

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

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 14.5% 0.53 g/100 ml titratable acidity pH: 3.68

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