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## 2014 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir Running Creek Vineyard

Highlighting lush, layered flavors, bright acidity and impeccably balanced French oak, Migration is dedicated to crafting wines form the finest cool-climate winegrowing regions. This dedication led us to establish our estate vineyard in the heart of the legendary Russian River Valley. This wine is a selection of the best blocks and barrels of wine from this exceptional site. Though rich and supple, with alluring flavors of blackberry and Bing cherry, it is also a beautifully complex, terroir-driven wine.

### In the Vineyard

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

Aromas of wild strawberry and sour cherry leap from the glass, followed by more nuanced notes of black tea leaves and rose petals. On the palate, this wine begins with a lovely fruitfulness, before giving way to an elegant, velvety structure supported by a beam of bright acid.

#### Varietal Content

100% Pinot Noir

#### **Harvest Information**

Harvest Dates: September 5 – 16 Average Sugar at Harvest: 24.5° Brix

#### Cooperage

100% French oak 40% new oak, 60% neutral Barrel Aging: 10 months

#### Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.5% 0.51 g/100 ml titratable acidity pH: 3.76