



VARIETAL CONTENT  
100% PINOT NOIR

APPELLATION  
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

ALCOHOL CONTENT  
14.5%

TITRATABLE ACIDITY  
0.54g/ 100ml

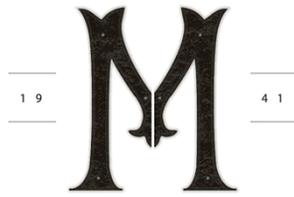
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HARVEST DATES  
SEPTEMBER 5 –  
OCTOBER 1

CLONAL SELECTION  
POMMARD, CALERA, 828

BARREL AGING  
100% FRENCH OAK;  
1/3 NEW,  
1/3 SECOND USE,  
1/3 THIRD USE

TRELLISING SYSTEM  
VSP



## MACMURRAY

*Estate Vineyards™*

### 2013 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY WINEMAKER'S BLOCK PINOT NOIR

WITH ESTATE VINEYARDS IN SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST SOUGHT-AFTER WINE REGIONS, MACMURRAY ESTATE VINEYARDS CRAFTS AN AWARD-WINNING COLLECTION OF PINOT NOIR AND COOL-CLIMATE WHITE WINES FROM SONOMA COUNTY AND THE CENTRAL COAST. OUR WINEMAKER OVERSEES EVERYTHING FROM ROOTSTOCK SELECTION TO BARREL AGING, TO CREATE A PORTFOLIO OF WINES THAT ILLUMINATES THE UNIQUE, NUANCED FLAVORS OF EACH ESTATE VINEYARD.

#### ESTATE VINEYARD SOURCING

The 2013 vintage got off to an early start in the Russian River Valley, leading the way to a long, moderate growing season. The summer was warm and sunny with minimal rainfall, creating the ideal conditions for growing flavorful grapes with excellent acidity. This outstanding vintage has produced wines of intense color, stunning concentration and excellent balance.

- **Del Rio Vineyard (68%):** Characterized by a warmer climate and a variety of soils, including Arbuckle, gravelly sandy loam and Zamora silty clay loam, this vineyard yields grapes with rich, ripe fruit flavors.
- **Laguna Ranch Vineyard (18%):** A foggy, coastal climate and Sebastopol Series soil, a combination of well-draining gravelly and sandy loam formed from soft sandstone on ancient coastal terraces.
- **MacMurray Ranch Vineyard (14%):** The Lower Valley sees heavy fog intrusion and a cooler microclimate than the Upper Valley, where more hours of sunshine make for warmer conditions. Loam to gravelly clay, sandy white, Steinbeck and Goldridge soils.



#### WINEMAKING / WINEMAKER NOTES

The fruit was gently hand-harvested and cooled overnight to protect the berries during de-stemming. Following a three- to five-day cold soak, the must was inoculated with BRG and AMH yeasts in a combination of stainless steel and oak tanks and fermented at a maximum temperature of 82°F, with regular punchdowns. Malolactic fermentation completed in barrel, and the wine was matured sur lie for ten months in French oak from a selection of coopers including Dargaud & Jaeglé, Le Grand, Leroi, Treuil, Billon and Dany. The wine was ultimately racked off of its lees and blended. To preserve its rich character, the wine is unfined.

#### TASTING PROFILE

Our 2013 Winemaker's Block Selection is an elegant expression of our finest vineyard blocks in the Russian River Valley. Silky and smooth, the wine showcases the complexity and depth one can coax from Pinot Noir grown in an exceptional, cool-climate region. Pommard Clone grapes from Block R02 on our Del Rio Ranch Vineyard and T09 on our MacMurray Ranch Vineyard provided the backbone and structure for this wine. Calera Clone and 828 from Laguna Ranch Block L07 lent the wine its alluring, dark cherry characteristics.