



VARIETAL CONTENT  
100% PINOT NOIR

APPELLATION  
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

ALCOHOL CONTENT  
14.2%

TITRATABLE ACIDITY  
0.53g/ 100ml

PH  
3.8

HARVEST DATES  
SEPTEMBER 13 –  
OCTOBER 26

CLONAL SELECTION  
115, 114, 23, 2A, 667, 777,  
SWAN, 828, CALERA,  
375, 459, 5, 30, 12, 538

BARREL AGING  
8 MONTHS IN FRENCH  
AND AMERICAN OAK  
BARRELS; 25% NEW AND  
75% USED OAK



## MACMURRAY

*Estate Vineyards™*

### 2012 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY 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. WINEMAKER CHRIS MUNSELL 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 2012 vintage in the Russian River Valley was phenomenal. A mild growing season with minimal rainfall provided the ideal conditions for even ripening. This outstanding vintage has produced wines of intense color, stunning flavor concentration and excellent balance. This Pinot Noir was crafted from four of our estate vineyards in the world-renowned Russian River Valley AVA, including MacMurray Ranch (39%), Two Rock (34%), Del Rio (12%) and Laguna Ranch (11%) vineyards, as well as our Central Coast vineyard, Olson Ranch (4%). More than half the fruit was selected from:

- **MacMurray Ranch Vineyard (39%):** Our namesake vineyard is home to Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris vines, grown in well-drained loam soils. The lower valley is cool and foggy, while the upper valley basks in the sun. The Pinot Noir fruit on the upper valley of the vineyard gave this blend its ripe, dark cherry flavors.
- **Two Rock Vineyard (34%):** A cool, foggy climate, matched by sandy loam and gravelly clay loam soils, makes this vineyard ideal for growing cool-climate varieties like Pinot Noir.

#### WINEMAKING / WINEMAKER NOTES

Following harvest, the Pinot Noir grapes were cold soaked for at least two days to enhance extraction of the variety's vibrant color and delicate flavors. Yeast selections RC212, AMH, FrootZen and BRG were introduced during primary fermentation. The free run juice was separated from the press and allowed to settle for a few days prior to malolactic fermentation on light lees in barrel, which promoted a seamless integration of wine and oak. Sur lie aging added a smooth and luscious mouthfeel to this wine. A complex regime of new and used French and American oak barrels provided sweet aromas of vanilla, caramel and butterscotch, framed by hints of toast and roasted nuts.

#### TASTING PROFILE

Our MacMurray Estate Vineyards Russian River Valley Pinot Noir opens with aromas of lavender and boysenberry, giving way to dark cherry and pomegranate flavors. This luscious wine has a silky mouthfeel, framed by subtle hints of oak from barrel aging.

#### CALIFORNIA

