

# TERRA VALENTINE



## 2013 RUSSIAN RIVER PINOT NOIR



### Vintage:

“Early, even and excellent” are three words being use to describe this year’s growing season and the Napa Valley wine grapes that have come from it, reflecting the consistent quality for which this world famous wine region is known.

A warm, dry spring brought early bud break, helped with canopy vigor and berry size and created ideal conditions for flowering and fruit set under sunny skies. With the exception of one heat spike in late June/early July, temperatures were consistently in the zone for optimal vine activity, resulting in notably healthy vines as fruit went through veraison and started ripening. The cooler, sunny weather throughout October allowed the final grapes still on the vine to linger longer, developing more phenolic and flavor maturities with sugar levels remaining steady.

### Vineyard:

Our Russian River Valley Pinot Noir is sourced from three premium vineyards that bring their unique character into this blend. From Freestone, Green Valley, and Olivet Lane, we source Clone 115 and Pommard Clone pinot noir. The cooler Freestone vineyard brings bright acidity and dark structure. The Green Valley site offers a rich and round mid-palate and the Olivet Lane vineyard offers ripe round forward fruit.

### Tasting:

Cherry, marmalade, rose petal aromas with clove and allspice. Structured yet soft and bright on the palate with toasty caramel notes on the finish.

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**Composition:**  
100% Pinot Noir

**Harvest Dates:**  
October 14th

**Vinification:**  
Cold soaked 48 hours, Extended maceration, free-run drained off after 14 days total contact.

**Barrel Regime:**  
18 months in French oak - 44% new

**Bottling:**  
290 cases

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