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2014 MONUMENT TREE VINEYARD ANDERSON VALLEY PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our 2014 Monument Tree Vineyard Pinot Noir is a rich and vibrant expression of this steep hillside vineyard set in the northwest end of the Anderson Valley. This wine has enticing aromas of Bing cherries, forest floor and hints of California redwoods. On the palate, the seamless balance of tannin and acidity lend the wine a silky texture. There is an electricity in this wine transmitted from the vineyard. Pair this enticing Pinot Noir with herb Dijon marinated lamb and a colorful ratatouille.

NOTES FROM THE VINEYARD

The single most defining aspect of the Anderson Valley is its narrow channel lined with Redwood, Douglas Fir and Pine trees. The region is warmed by the inland Ukiah Valley in the morning, and dramatically cooled by afternoon maritime breezes from the Pacific Ocean. The slopes of the valley steepen as one heads further northwest, with temperatures dropping a degree Fahrenheit with with each mile traveled. Monument Tree Vineyard is found in the Deep End, or the cooler northwest part of the valley closer to the Pacific Ocean. The Anderson Valley is typically cool and wet, but it was dry and warm in 2014 creating a balanced, yet complex Pinot Noir. Fog was almost non-existent, thus the summer days warmed quickly. These conditions accelerated maturity and harvest began on September 3rd.

HARVEST DATES:

September 3-September 10, 2014

ALCOHOL: 13.6%

AVERAGE BRIX:

BARREL AGING:

18 months

BARRELS:

100% French Oak, 36% new

RELEASE DATE:

September 1, 2016