



## 2012 Pinot Noir

**Color:** Deep ruby

**Aroma:** This is one of the most balanced Pinot Noirs we have made in recent history. The nose is filled with fresh red raspberries and red raspberry compote, cola, clove, orange peel, toast, and wet earth.

**Palate:** The palate follows the nose with intense red raspberries and orange peel. There are hints of flowers and toast in the background that play off the intense fruit. The oak and grape tannins are well balanced and very fine, like silk.

**The Year:** 2012 was a vintage that winemakers pray for due to its nearly perfect weather conditions for grape growing. The spring kicked off with a well timed bud break, then followed with nearly perfect pollination and fruit set. The summer was dry, with warm, but not excessively hot days and cool nights. The harvest yielded a large, and high quality crop that flowed in from the vineyards to processing at a slow and steady pace.

**Harvest:** September 24, 2012

**Brix:** 24.4

**TA/pH:** 6.2/3.55

**Bottled:** March 2014

**Released:** January 2015

**Varietal:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Alcohol:** 14.2% ABV

**Cases:** 261

**Appellation:** 100% Napa Valley

**Maturation:** 100% French Oak for 22 months and bottled unfined & unfiltered.