

## 2014 Cohn Vineyard Sonoma County Pinot Noir



### Harvest Notes

In many ways, the 2014 vintage is one for the record books. The third consecutive drought year, Sonoma County received less than half of its average rainfall. The very dry winter and spring allowed for very early bud break, flowering and harvest. With ideal spring weather conditions, the vines were able to complete flowering quickly, and the resulting crop was much larger than average. We received just enough rain in the spring to charge the soil with water, and cool summer weather allowed the vines to thrive resulting in the earliest harvest on record.

### Winegrower Notes

Planted in 1970, this spectacular Pinot Noir Vineyard would be considered old by California standards. Planted to a massale selection of Pinot Noirs (likely Martini 13 and Pommard), our vineyard outdates most other plantings in the Russian River Valley by 20+ years. Farmed organically and with minimal irrigation, these gnarled vines produce small and compact clusters with yields of just over 1 ton per acre. Harvested at night, the fruit was rigorously hand sorted prior to destemming and then berry selected before open top fermentation.

### Tasting Notes

This flagship wine from our oldest estate vineyard produced a painfully low yield of just over 1 ton per acre. A medium-ruby color is followed by gorgeously intense aromas of spring flowers, Queen Anne cherries, and intense mineral notes. Year after year this site has the hallmark of an ethereally-floral aromatic quality, with sensual texture and an impressive length. We have been very impressed with this vintage from our Cohn vineyard and look forward to how it will age for years to come.

### Vineyard Sources

Cohn Vineyard

### Harvest Data

September 2nd - Alcohol 14.1% | pH 3.78, | TA 0.56

### Fermentation

Cold soaked for 8 days, indigenous yeast fermentation lasted for almost two weeks

### Cooperage

46% new French Oak

### Bottling

February 2016

### Cases Produced

440 cases

### Release Date

September 2016