



*We add nothing to our wines, nor do we take anything from them.
With infinite care, we leave them alone. —MARTIN RAY*

MARTIN RAY 2006 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY RESERVE PINOT NOIR

THE VINEYARDS The 2006 Martin Ray Russian River Valley Reserve Pinot Noir is produced from selected vineyards in the acclaimed Russian River Valley wine region. The vineyards of Rocking B Ranch produce berries with bright flavors and beautiful color. Fruit from Hervey and Goldridge Vineyards offer unique characteristics and flavors of ripe cherries and raspberries. These vineyards produce grapes of exceptional quality that allow us to create wines with intense aromatics, firm tannins and rich, concentrated flavors.

VINTAGE NOTES The 2006 harvest was an excellent vintage for the Russian River Valley. After a slow, wet spring, the vintage moved along quite smoothly with yields pretty close, and higher with some of the red varietals, to estimated projections. The vines produced mature, ripe and intense fruit without high sugars.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES Our Russian River Valley Reserve Pinot Noir is aged for sixteen months, 30 percent in new French oak and 70 percent in 1–4 year old French oak barrels. This oak driven Pinot Noir has surprising aromas of cream soda, raspberries and a hint of vanilla. Bright flavors of fresh raspberries and strawberries lead to a full, velvety mouthfeel and a smooth, lingering finish.

FOOD & WINE PAIRING Grilled salmon steaks with olive oil and orzo would be a perfect match for our Pinot Noir.

TECHNICAL NOTES

VARIETAL | 100% Pinot Noir

RELEASE DATES | December 2007

ALCOHOL | 14.2%

BRIX AT HARVEST | 24.8

TOTAL ACIDITY | 0.55%

pH | 3.76

QUANTITY PRODUCED | 2,300 cases

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