



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

MARTIN RAY 2007 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY RESERVE PINOT NOIR

THE VINEYARDS The Martin Ray 2007 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 2007 harvest was a week or so earlier this year, but fairly quick, compact and with lower crop yields. Early winter rainfall led to an even growing season with moderate weather conditions throughout the year. Although crop size was down, we harvested beautiful fruit which will produce wines with great intensity.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES Our Russian River Valley Reserve Pinot Noir is aged for twelve months, 25 percent in new French oak and 75 percent in 1–6 year old French oak barrels. This oak driven Pinot Noir has surprising aromas 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 2008

ALCOHOL | 13.9%

BRIX AT HARVEST | 24.8

TOTAL ACIDITY | 0.52%

pH | 3.86

QUANTITY PRODUCED | 2,500 cases

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