



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

2004 PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY RESERVE

THE VINEYARDS The 2004 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 Boriolo Vineyards offers 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 2004 harvest was extremely favorable and produced a wealth of high quality fruit. A steady growing season with mild temperatures throughout the year allowed for the grapes to ripen to full maturity two weeks earlier than usual. These conditions, coupled with a rain-free ripening season, have resulted in a vintage of concentrated flavors and beautiful aromatics.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES Our Russian River Valley Reserve Pinot Noir is aged for 16 months in 30% new French oak and 70% in 1–4 year old French barrels. This oak-driven Pinot Noir has surprising aromas of cream soda, cherry and a hint of vanilla. Bright flavors of ripe Bing cherries and creamy vanilla lead to a full, velvety mouthfeel and a smooth lingering finish.

TECHNICAL NOTES

VARIETAL | 100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST DATES | September 24–27, 2004

BRIX AT HARVEST | 25.4°

ALCOHOL | 14.5%

TOTAL ACIDITY | 0.57

PH | 3.81

QUANTITY PRODUCED | 420 cases

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