Banville Wine Merchants

La Follette

Pinot Noir Heintz Vineyard Russian River Valley



Charlie Heintz is the third generation of his family to farm this 50-acre vineyard. Near Occidental in one of the cooler sections of the Russian River Valley AVA, the growing season is longer intensifying the fruit flavors and adding to the depth of each wine.

Vinification: No sulphur added prior to fermentation, all clones co-fermented. 100% native primary and secondary fermentation. 11 months in low toast, air-dried 3-year-old French oak, 25% new.

Grape varieties : Pinot Noir

Altitude : 275m ASL

Vineyard age : Vines planted in 1996

Exposure : North-South

Soil : Golding Sandy Loam

Alcohol: 14%

Tasting notes :

There's the distinctive Russian River Valley cherry cola in the nose followed by baking spices, anise, and allspice. Flavors abound including cherry pie, red raspberry, currant with a bit of green, blueberry, and melting milk chocolate. Sipping it transports you to the sensory feeling of walking in the woods the smells of coastal earthiness and forest floor. This Pinot Noir has an unctuous mid-palate with a lingering aftertaste.



Press Notes

Wine Spectator 2018 91 points Wine Enthusiast 2019

95 points

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