



## 2008 Pinot Noir

RUSSIAN RIVER  
VALLEY

Label Artist:  
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**Tasting Notes** | A kindred spirit to our wallet-friendly Spring Release Syrah from last year, the 2008 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir is our first “appellation” Pinot and a wonderful house wine that delivers loads of drinking pleasure.

Light ruby in color, with aromas of bing cherry, pomegranate, cranberry, rose petal, and a hint of toffee, the palate is pure pinot offering up cherry, raspberry, plum, cola nut, cinnamon and graham cracker. Medium bodied and fruit forward with gentle but present tannins, this is both light and hearty at the same time, allowing great flexibility in food pairing.

Note: If you enjoyed our 2007 Windsor Oaks Pinot, this is the wine for you! The final blend consists of 93% Windsor Oaks, 4% Cleary and 3% Stiling Vineyard.

**Drinking Windows** | Prime drinking: late 2010 through 2013  
Graceful ageability: up to 2016

**Analysis** | pH: 3.68  
TA: 6.2 g/L  
Alcohol: 14.6%  
Bottling: December 3, 2009  
Release: Spring 2010  
Total Produced: 350 cases

**Philosophy** | *We prefer to follow the grapes' lead and offer gentle care as the wine emerges from the juice. If a wine asks for help, we provide it. If a wine is happy on its own, we simply let it be and celebrate its unique evolution.*