



RIVERBENCH

2012 Harvest

As harvest wrapped up for the 2012 season we had a lot to be thankful for in the vineyard. The weather cooperated this season and the resulting grapes looked and tasted great. We had average yields and the long hang time brought outstanding color and phenolics to the Pinot Noir. These same growing conditions and hang time allowed for different Chardonnay wines to be produced. We had the ability to make multiple harvests in the Chardonnay, capturing progressive flavors and resulting in distinctly different wines.



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2012 RESERVE PINOT NOIR

Estate Grown and Bottled

Santa Maria Valley



Composition

100% Pinot Noir,

Harvest

September 18, 2012

Cooperage

Remond Allier, Boutes Traditional, Seguin Moreau.

Bottled

01/30/2014

Acidity

0.61 g/100ml

pH

3.74

Alcohol

13.9%

Production

67 Cases

Suggested Retail Price

\$42

Winemakers Notes

Two words describe this stand-out wine: Drizzle Barrel. Winemaker Clarissa Nagy put her stamp on this one by applying a special technique where she removes the skins and seeds and allows the free run (unpressed) juice to go straight into barrels. The rest goes into a tank and more juice slowly and painstakingly drizzles out, forming a concentrated liquid. Deep purple with a lush and elegant texture, it screams subdued opulence as notes of blackberry and truffle jump out of the glass. Pretty flavors on the palate like plum and baked apple mingle nicely with hints of cinnamon and tobacco, and the tannins balanced with pure acidity make it particularly age-worthy. Try it with any celebratory dinner, whether you're commemorating finishing the laundry or saving the world.