



CHALK HILL

ESTATE BOTTLED
2013 PINOT NOIR

THE CHALK HILL ESTATE is located at the convergence of a number of diverse climates, soils and terrains in the northeastern hills of Sonoma County. The Chalk Hill AVA is a sub-appellation of the Russian River Valley, the epicenter of Pinot Noir growing and winemaking. While the estate is a bit warm for top quality Pinot Noir, our Trenton Road vineyard, located a few miles west of the winery, is ideally situated. Trenton's 45 acres of vineyard are planted with 6 highly regarded clones of Pinot Noir, primarily Mt. Eden, Pommard, Swan and Dijon 777.

2013 was a fabulous vintage, giving us wines of both finesse and concentration. A very mild spring and summer, weather temperatures were perfect for growing beautiful grapes. Quality is excellent across the board. This exciting wine, our third vintage of Pinot Noir has vibrant acidity with a long finish. The nose is swarming with aromas of black cherry, raspberry, pomegranate, framboise, roses and mocha. The palate tastes like it smells, with flavors of cherry, cocoa and raspberry. This is a beautiful wine to drink alone, or pair with a wonderful meal.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: SEPTEMBER 7 – SEPTEMBER 14, 2013
Average Yields: 2.05 TONS/ACRE
Average Brix at Harvest: 25.7°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

MONTHLY BÂTONNAGE FOR FIVE MONTHS
Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK, 44% NEW
Barrel Aging: 11 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 100% PINOT NOIR
Bottling Date: AUGUST 7 & 8, 2014
pH: 3.63 *TA:* 5.4 G/L *Alcohol:* 14.8%