



2006 CLONE 115 PINOT NOIR

SANTA RITA HILLS

VINEYARD SOURCE: 100% FROM RANCHO LAS HERMANAS (FORMERLY ASHLEY'S VINEYARD) IN STA. RITA HILLS

COMPOSITION: 100% PINOT NOIR

BARREL AGING: 15 MONTHS IN 57% NEW FRENCH OAK

COOPERAGE: FRANCOIS FRERES & CADUS

HARVEST DATE: OCTOBER 18TH

BLOCKS: 1

TONS PER ACRE: 2

BRIX: 25.1

ALCOHOL: 14.5% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

P.H.: 3.63

T.A.: .604G/100ML

PRODUCTION: 181 CASES

2005 Vintage

96 points – *Wine Enthusiast*

COMMENTS:

There has been much discussion over the past few decades about Burgundian vs. New World-style Pinot Noirs. The aim of these discussions seems to be to prove whether one style is better than the other. With this Pinot Noir, we endeavor to create a wine that marries the best aspects of both Old & New World approaches, creating something new that is truly reflective of the soils and terroir where it originated. This Pinot Noir shows some restraint on the nose, with notes of sandalwood, minerality and wet rocks evident. On the mouth, it shows bold, focused brush stroke of dark berries, briar patch fruit and all-spice. While approachable in its youth, this wine benefits from 2 to 4 hours of decanting prior to serving.


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