



## 2007 CLONE 115 PINOT NOIR

SANTA RITA HILLS

**VINEYARD SOURCE:** 100% LOS HERMANAS VINEYARD (FORMERLY ASHLEY'S VINEYARD) IN STA. RITA HILLS

**COMPOSITION:** 100% PINOT NOIR

**BARREL AGING:** 16 MONTHS IN 60% NEW FRENCH OAK

**COOPERAGE:** T. MERCUREY, FRANCOIS FRERER, ERMITAGE

**HARVEST DATE:** OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

**TONS PER ACRE:** 1.6

**BRIX:** 24.6

**ALCOHOL:** 14.5% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

**P.H.:** 3.52

**T.A.:** .65 G/100ML

**PRODUCTION:** 441-6 PACK CASES

### 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 raspberry, rose petal and sandalwood evident. On the mouth, it shows bold, focused brush stroke of black cherry, cranberry and vanilla. While approachable in its youth, this wine benefits from 2 to 4 hours of decanting prior to serving.

#### 2007 Vintage

**93 Points** – *Wine Enthusiast*

**90 Points** – *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

#### 2006 Vintage

**88 Points** – *Wine Enthusiast*

#### 2005 Vintage

**96 Points** – *Wine Enthusiast*

  
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