

Paul Mathew Vineyards

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Appellation
Russian River
Valley

Vineyards
60 % TnT
25% Ruxton
15% Horseshoe
Bend

Alcohol
13.6%

pH
3.61

Titrateable Acidity
6.3 g/L

Barrel Aging
11 months
100% French Oak
25% New Oak

Cases Produced
500

Suggested Retail
\$32



2013 RRV Pinot Noir

Winemaking Philosophy

We are committed to low input winemaking utilizing uninoculated primary fermentation and malolactic fermentation. This process is much slower and more time consuming but produces wine lush on the palate with seamless flavors. Low input winemaking also includes gravity flow movements of wine, minimal acid adjustments, minimal SO₂ additions, racking only once in barrel, no fining and no filtering when possible.

Vineyards

Our Russian River Vineyard blend consists of three different vineyards; TnT, Ruxton and Horseshoe Bend which are within a five mile radius on the western edge of the Russian River. The TnT vineyard clones are 114, 115, 667 and 777 on Riparia Gloire rootstock with Goldridge soil. The Ruxton Vineyard at 800 feet elevation is above the fog line, planted in Gold Ridge soil to Dijon Clones 667, 777, and 115. Horseshoe Bend also at 800 feet elevation is planted to Dijon 113 with Gold Ridge soil.

Winemaking

The grapes were field sorted prior to picking, then run through a shaker table to remove any debris, and then hand sorted prior to destemming. The must was fermented using the native yeast on the grapes with two to three punch downs per day. The must was gently pressed to tank and settled overnight, then barreled down the next day, this is the last time the wine is pumped. After the Malolactic fermentation was complete SO₂ was added and the wine was left to rest for the remaining time in barrel. The wine was aged for 11 months in French oak barrels and bottled in late August 2014.

Winemakers Notes

The wine shows the different characteristics of the three vineyards giving it much complexity. The medium light ruby wine show brightness in the aroma and vivid color with a combination of red fruits, spice and a touch of oak. A medium bodied wine with good acid and tannin structure with flavors of pomegranate, raspberry, strawberry, cherry and spice. The bright, high toned nature of the wine matches with food extremely well and should age comfortably for 8 to 10 years in the cellar.