

2008 Pinot Noir

Sonoma Coast

Vineyard Profile

36% Sangiacomo Roberts Road Vineyard, Sonoma Coast; 36% Four Sisters Vineyard, Sonoma Coast; 10% Hallberg Vineyard, Sonoma Coast
9% Balletto Home Ranch Vineyard, Russian River Valley
9% Ivywood Vineyard, Russian River Valley

The Sonoma Coast, a world-renowned growing region southwest of the Russian River and just six miles from the Pacific Ocean is known worldwide for its cool-climate Pinot Noir and microclimates that contribute to slow grape maturation and optimum ripeness. Small lots of fruit were sourced from five exceptional Sonoma Coast and Russian River Valley vineyards exclusively for Calstar Cellars Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir.

Each vineyard that contributes to the 2008 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir expresses unique site characteristics including the Sangiacomo Roberts Road Vineyard with early morning sun and daily ocean breeze from the Petaluma gap, Halberg Vineyard with high planting density and coastal fog, Balletto Vineyard with rich loam soil and steady winds, Ivywood Vineyard heavily influenced by marine weather above the hamlet of Freestone, and the Four Sisters Vineyard located at the southern end of the Sonoma Coast overlooking the San Pablo Bay planted with Swan 115 and 77 clone varieties.

Winemaker Notes

Starts with aromas of cherries heading towards black cherries with notes of black tea. There are layered flavors with cherry-dark cherry notes of black tea and hints of orange zest. After the initial flavors, there is a gentle mid-palate framed by soft tannins and subtle oak spice. This is followed by a balanced finish that both lingers and cleanses with juicy acidity.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Davis".

-Proprietor & Winemaker, Rick Davis

Production Data

Composition: 100% Pinot Noir
Clonal Composition: 45% Clone 115, 46% Clone 777, 9% Jackson Clone 9
Harvest Date: September 13-October 10, 2008
Date Bottled: July 30, 2009
Brix: 24.7°
Barrel Aging: 30% new oak, 66% French, 33% Hungarian

Production: 250 cases
Alcohol: 14.8
pH: 3.59
TA: 5.60 g/L
Release Date: September 1, 2011



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