



2013 JAYSON PINOT NOIR SONOMA COAST

HARVESTED		September 4 - 17, 2013
VINEYARDS		Wayfarer and Hallberg
BOTTLED		December 17, 2014
COMPOSITION		100% Pinot Noir
ALCOHOL		14.5%
WINEMAKER		Bibiana González Rave

VINTAGE NOTES

Considering that 2013 saw record-low precipitation levels and normal timing for bud break at the end of March, the dramatic growth of vineyard canopy came as a bit of a surprise. Daily monitoring of vine health allowed us to execute a strict management plan, refining each pass through the vineyard to reduce the risk of mildew or botrytis while optimizing crop yields to no more than three pounds per vine. Temperatures were wonderfully mild throughout the season, enabling the fruit to ripen fully yet maintain freshness and acidity until we began harvesting on September 4, full of excitement that greatness could be achieved in the cellar.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Grape clusters were hand-picked and hand-sorted at the winery, reserving 2% for whole-cluster fermentation, while the remainder passed through a gentle de-stemmer. The fruit spent five to seven days in cold-soak maceration before beginning primary alcoholic fermentation, naturally occurring with wild yeast. After 14 to 19 days, the fruit was gently passed through a basket horizontal press. Only 100% free run juice was used in the 2013 Jayson Pinot Noir to ensure absolutely optimum quality. The wine was then aged in 38% new French oak for 11 months before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

This wine is vibrant with a deep, ruby red color. Aromas of cherry, cola and wild blackberry, tinged with wisps of cedar and cigar, easily release from the glass. It opens with notes of cacao, roasted coffee and freshly picked strawberries. In the mouth, a bright acidity makes way for a rich, round palate, finishing with a fine line of tannins. Initially tight at opening, this wine would benefit from a brief decanting.

ABOUT JAYSON WINES

Jayson wines exemplify Jayson Pahlmeyer's unquenchable desire for excellence and cutting-edge winemaking. Produced with the same impeccable standards and winemaking pedigree for which Pahlmeyer is known, Jayson wines are at once luxurious and instantly approachable.