



PEIRSON MEYER PINOT NOIR
SONOMA COAST
SONOMA STAGE VINEYARD
2007

WINEMAKER NOTES

The Sonoma Stage Vineyard Vineyard with its marginal climate, small berry size and clonal blend (Swan and Calera Clone) present us with an intensely layered wine with expressions of boysenberry, wild strawberry, and orange peel, highlighted by notes of vanilla bean and anise. The palate has ample weight balanced by a pleasing natural acidity and finishes with silky tannins and smooth texture.

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Located in the southern-most portion of the Sonoma Coast Appellation, this vineyard enjoys a cool climate with significant marine influence, both from the San Francisco Bay as well as the Pacific Coast. Due to this unique maritime pressure, we often experience a very low yield from the site. We have selected two old Pinot Noir clones from the vineyard; we feel the Swan and Calera clones compliment each other nicely in our final blend, offering attractive fruit character as well as depth and elegant structure. The vines are cane pruned to a vertical trellis, with shoot positioning and leaf removal done according to vineyard aspect. The vineyard is owned by the Hyde Family, headed by Richard and Larry Hyde.

VINTAGE	2007
VARIETAL	Pinot Noir
VINEYARD	Sonoma Stage Vineyard
APPELLATION	Sonoma Coast
PRODUCTION	450 Cases (6/750ml)
HARVEST	September 2007
PROCESS	Tank fermented - 100% malolactic Barrel aged 15 months (<i>sur lees</i>) 40% New French Oak
BOTTLED	Unfined & Unfiltered January 2009
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