

Calera Wine Company announces a fifth single vineyard Mt. Harlan Pinot Noir
Jensen (1975) Selleck (1975), Reed (1975), Mills (1984) and...

CALERA RYAN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR



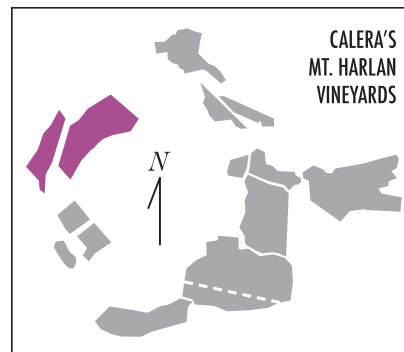
"I decided to name our newest single-vineyard Pinot Noir field "Ryan" in honor of Jim Ryan, my capable and loyal Vineyard Manager for 26 years. Jim came to work for Calera in 1979 fresh out of college. A San Francisco native, Jim and his wife Marian, have lived at the base of Mt. Harlan ever since that day, and have raised their three lovely daughters there." – Josh Jensen, Calera Owner and Founder

RYAN VINEYARD, Mt. Harlan

- Pinot Noir
- 13.1 acres
- Established 1998
- 2,500 ft elevation, the highest of Calera's vineyards

Ryan Vineyard is located around the mountain, facing west and enjoying long afternoon sun.

The vineyard produces exceptional fruit, with exotic flavors of wild fennel, sage, black plum and spice.



This first harvest from Ryan Vineyard gave us a tiny yield of .3 tons/acre, resulting in a mere 115 cases for our initial offering.

Calera's are the only vineyards in the Mt. Harlan American Viticultural Area (AVA), established in 1990. The Mt. Harlan AVA is distinguished by its limestone rich soils, high elevation in the Gavilan Mountains (lowest point is 1,800' elevation), and cooling coastal influence.



RYAN VINEYARD FACTS

New Vineyard

- Named after Josh's Vineyard Manager since 1979, Jim Ryan
- 2,500 feet elevation, the highest of all Mt. Harlan vineyards
- West facing, planted around the mountain from the other blocks

New Wine – a new Pinot Noir!

- 5th vineyard designate, named for yet another person special to Josh
- Tiny yield (.3 ton/acre)
- Tiny production (115 cases)
- Interesting and exotic flavor profile

Calera Winemaking

- 100% whole cluster fermented – no crushing
- Indigenous yeast
- Barrel aged 16 months in french oak, 30% new
- Bottled unfiltered

Label slightly different – New design for Mt. Harlan wines

Mt. Harlan Appellation

- Limestone soils – 23 million tons of pure limestone
- High elevation (1,800 feet & higher, surrounding the mountain and beyond)
- Coastal influence – Cold winds blow in from Monterey Bay
- Very low rainfall