



CALERA

2009

PINOT NOIR

CENTRAL COAST

Calera's Central Coast wines are made from grapes grown by selected vineyards in California's Central Coast Viticultural Area.

Winemakers Notes

Delightful bright aromas of pomegranate, sandalwood, juicy cherry and bramble waft from this energetic and flavorful 2009 Calera Central Coast Pinot Noir. Seven different vineyard sources combine to create lively flavors of cranberry, French prune, briar and expressive red plum with a soft underpinning of oak. Deep flavors, firm tannins, wonderful fruit and a nice tartness make for a rich, lingering finish.

Vineyard Source

Laetitia Vineyard – San Luis Obispo County
Scheid Vineyard – Monterey County
San Ysidro – Santa Clara County
Doctor's Vineyard – Monterey County
Chula Viña Vineyard – Monterey County
Flint Vineyard – San Benito County
Besson Vineyard – Santa Clara County

Wine Analysis

Total Acidity: 6.3 g/l
Final pH: 3.71
Malolactic: 100%
Alcohol: 14.3%

Vintage and Winemaking Detail

Moderate summer temperatures gave us an ideal growing season in 2009. The Central Coast Vineyards had above average hang-time producing Pinot Noir with abundant concentration and a sturdy backbone. All lots were fermented with native yeasts in small, open top fermenters. After fourteen days the wines were pressed, settled overnight, and then moved by gravity to Calera's barrel cellar. The wine was aged without racking in mostly French oak Barrels, 10% new, for eleven months. The vineyard lots were combined priori to bottling and the wine was bottled unfiltered.