



CALERA

2015 MT. HARLAN PINOT NOIR REED VINEYARD

Calera's Mt. Harlan Vineyards are located in the Gavilan Mountains 25 miles east of the Monterey Bay. The site was chosen for its limestone soils and ideal climate. At an average elevation of 2,200 feet it is among the highest and coolest vineyard sites in California.

Harvest Notes

Though the 2015 growing season resulted in the earliest harvest ever at Calera, the quality of the vintage is exceptional, with our 2015 Mt. Harlan Pinot Noirs displaying elegant textures, with beautiful depth and complexity. A dry winter was followed by an early spring, which resulted in our vines blooming early, in mid-April. With little winter rainfall, 2015 also marked our fourth year of drought. While this led to lower-than-average yields, the small crop and a consistently warm summer ensured that the grapes ripened perfectly, with extremely well-balanced acid and Brix levels. Harvest began on August 26th with the majority of our grapes arriving in the winery in pristine condition by September 15th.

Comments from the Winemaker

With a northern exposure, Reed is always our last vineyard to ripen, yielding a beautifully aromatic Pinot Noir with soft, seamlessly integrated tannins and alluring red berry flavors. On the nose, aromas of juicy red cherry and strawberry are underscored by hints of tart rhubarb. The red fruit is echoed on the palate, where flavors of cranberry and pomegranate mingle with hints of white pepper and spice. Elegant and flowing, this is a wonderfully unique and thought-provoking expression of Mt. Harlan Pinot Noir.

Varietal Content

100% Pinot Noir

Harvest Information

Harvest Dates: September 14 – September 15, 2015

Average Sugar at Harvest: 24.0° Brix

Winemaking

18 months, 100% French oak

30% new, 10% second, 60% neutral

Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.2%

0.68 g/100 ml titratable acidity

100% malolactic fermentation

14 days fermentation at 60°F- 90°F

pH: 3.50



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