



*"THE WINDS OF SONOMA LENT US OUR NAME. BE IT A STEADY BREEZE OR A FIRM GUST, AN ANABATIC WIND IS ONE THAT FLOWS UP THE HILLS OF A VINEYARD DURING CALM AND SUNNY WEATHER."*

*—JOHN SWEAZEY, PROPRIETOR*

## 2014 PINOT NOIR, SONOMA COAST

### VINEYARD NOTES

With the 2014 vintage of Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir we lean toward the cooler regions of the Sonoma Coast appellation. The vineyards sourced to make this flagship wine come from Green Valley, the sub-appellation of Russian River Valley, as well as other cool areas of Russian River Valley this vintage. Bud-break was early but the growing season was even, allowing for full flavor development from each of these vineyards—Kozlowski (farmed by Joe and Steve Dutton) in glorious Goldridge soil and the coolest and foggiest of the three vineyards, Starscape (formerly known as Floodgate Vineyard) in the flat middle reach of the valley, and Confidant to the North (with its western facing western facing slope for great sun exposure). The trio comes together to create a balanced, bright and vibrant expression of the Sonoma Coast AVA.

### TASTING NOTES

Complex and beautiful layered aromas of plum, cherry and ripe strawberry combine with cola and cedar box. Nice tension and supple tannins complement this richly textured wine entwining flavors of juicy cherries, dried sweet cranberries and spice. It is bright and vibrant with a lasting finish.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

**Varietal:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Appellation:** Sonoma Coast

**Vineyards:** Kozlowski Vineyard, Starscape Vineyard, Confidant Vineyard

**Clones:** Pommard, 115, 777, 667, 828, 9

**Harvest:** 8/30 –9/13/14

**Brix:** 24.1

**TA:** 6.1 g/L

**pH:** 3.52

**Alcohol:** 14.2%

**Method/Aging:** Hand harvested and sorted then de-stemmed. 5-day cold soak. Fermented separately by clone. Gentle pump-over and punch-downs during fermentation. Lots combined to age 18 months in 100% French oak, 30% of which was new.

**Cooperage:** François Frères, Redmond, Radoux—Medium Toast

**Cases Produced:** 1215

**Retail:** \$42/bottle

