

2013 JENKINS RANCH – SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR

Vineyard Character: Located about two miles west of Sebastopol on Pleasant Hill Rd. (in an area known as Sebastopol Hills), the 18-acre Jenkins Ranch is situated on gently rolling hills at an elevation of approximately 400 feet. Once an apple orchard, Jenkins Ranch features Goldridge series gravelly loam soils planted to Dijon selections 667 and 777. These vines were planted under the guidance of renowned vineyard manager Charlie Chenoweth in 2001. Though the site features cool coastal influences, its location one series of hills back from the Petaluma Gap offers a degree of shelter and warmth for the grapes.

Tasting Notes: Vintage after vintage, Jenkins delivers a rich, flowing expression of Pinot Noir with fine-grained velvety tannins and alluring fruit—and the 2013 vintage follows in this delicious tradition. While there are beautiful black raspberry, blueberry, dark plum and milk chocolate layers to this wine, there is also a decidedly savory side, with elements of roast meat, mushrooms and fine herbs adding character and complexity. The finish is broad and lingering, with a mouthcoating density that puts an exclamation point on this stellar Pinot Noir. A tour de force, and a worthy follow-up to the great 2012 vintage!

Winemaking:

100% Pinot Noir fruit
Multi-yeast fermentations (wild & cultured)
10% whole clusters
100% malo-lactic fermentation in barrel
60% new Burgundian French oak barrels
Bottled without fining or filtration

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Jenkins Ranch is the old family homestead of the Jenkins family. Together, Nancy Jenkins and her two daughters form the popular country music family trio, The Jenkins. In 2001, the family began working with Charlie Chenoweth, and since then, the site has emerged as an exceptional Pinot Noir vineyard. Well known as one of California's preeminent vineyard managers, Charlie has earned recognition for his talent as a farmer, and for his collaborative approach to viticulture.

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James Hall Winemaker