

Barham Medelsohn Pinot Noir

Russian River Valley, California

- Barham Mendelsohn is a joint venture project between Jim Clendenen and Barbara Barham Mendelsohn and Richard Mendelsohn.
- This wine is 100% Pinot Noir sourced from the certified organic Lala Panzi Ranch in the Russian River Valley near Healdsburg in Sonoma County.
- In 1998, Barbara Barham Mendelsohn and Richard Mendelsohn engaged successful and experienced viticulturalist Fred Peterson to direct the planting of 6100 vines (5 acres) at the Lala Panzi Ranch. He recommended 5 clones: the 114, 115, 667, and the 777 clones from the University of Dijon in Burgundy, and the traditional Pommard selection from UC Davis. planted 5 acres of Pinot Noir at Lala Panzi. The Mendelsohns
- No adulteration was made to the grapes. The Pinot Noir is a result of the growing conditions extant at Lala Panzi, and careful harvest decisions made by the viticultural team.
- The farming protocol at Lala Panzi includes stringent canopy management, organic farming, manual tilling and weed control, micro-management of ripening assessment, and ultimately a quick, early morning harvest at the best possible balance.
- The wine underwent a 14 day fermentation and was aged in predominately new Allier and Vosges forest wood, coopered by Francois Freres of St. Romain.
- The wine was racked once after malo-lactic fermentation and bottled unfiltered.