



2013 Pinot Noir Bucher Vineyard – Russian River Valley Sonoma County

Vineyard: Located in the heart of the Russian River Valley, Bucher Vineyard was founded in 1997 by John Bucher for Bucher Farms. After graduating from UC Davis, John returned to Healdsburg to manage the family dairy farm and soon diversified into wine grapes. Additional plantings followed in 1998, 1999, 2006, 2008, and 2009. The 35 acres of land, with 14 blocks of wine grapes, are owned by John and his parents, and farmed by John for Bucher Farms. The Pinot Noir blocks are comprised of several clones, as well as various rootstock.

Vintage Notes: Our 2013 Single Vineyard blend comes from four blocks in the vineyard. The backbone of the blend comes from the Saddle Block (Swan Clone). The Pommard clone from Tory's block has always produced excellent fruit, and the 2012 vintage was true to form. We also sourced fruit from the Pear Tree Block (667) and Jackson Block (PN16) to add complexity to the blend.

Tasting Notes: Majestic aromas of plums, raspberries, rosehip, and cherries frame the nose. Layered flavors of juicy raspberry, black tea, baking spices, and black plum fill the palate. The lingering finish offers layers of red and black fruit laced with integrated tannins.

Composition	100% Pinot Noir
Vintage	2013
Appellation	Russian River Valley
Vineyard Designation	Bucher Vineyard
Block / Clones	Saddle Block/Swan South Hill/115 and Mt. Eden Tory's Block/Pommard Jackson/PN 16 Jackson Pear Tree Block/Dijon 667
Harvest Date	Aug. 20 - Sept. 9, 2013
Brix	24.6° (average)
Barrel Aging	10 months in French oak
Cooperage	20% in new French oak barrels— François Frères & Valluarine, 80% 1-3 year French oak barrels
Bottling Date	August 1, 2014
Alcohol	14.5%
pH	3.75
T.A.	.054g/100mL
Release Date	March 1, 2015
Production	557 cases

