

# ADELAIDA

## PINOT NOIR ESTATE 2014

ADELAIDA DISTRICT · PASO ROBLES

AROMA	Black cherry/black plum compote, forest floor, beef jerky, sweet earth
FLAVOR	Plums and ripe black cherries, fleshy, licorice, Assam tea, sweetmeats
FOOD PAIRINGS	Grilled salmon with teriyaki shiitaki mushrooms, duck ragu with creamy polenta, coq au vin with root vegetables and wild rice
VINEYARD DETAILS	HMR Estate Vineyard   1600 - 1735 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida's distinct, family-owned vineyards lie in the craggy hillside terrain of Paso Robles' Adelaida District, 14 miles from the Pacific coast. Ranging from 1400 - 2000 feet in elevation these low yielding vines are challenged by chalky limestone soils and afternoon blasts of cool marine air, a diurnal temperature swing of 40-50 degrees.

Pinot Noir is the heart and soul of our winemaking quest. Its coastal mountain microclimate, its affinity for the indigenous limestone soils and its old vine provenance (dating from 1964) are precursors of its potential for nobility. In 1999, the vineyard was expanded using cuttings from the mother vines thus maintaining the integrity of the new block. This Estate wine, from our HMR vineyard is primarily based on fruit selected from these, now mature, 15 year old vines.

While 2014 continued the warming trend and low rainfall in Paso Robles, the HMR vineyard was less affected, lying in a sheltered, sea breeze cooled site. Picked at night, grapes were hand sorted, underwent a brief cold soak, were yeast inoculated, a portion of the fruit remaining as whole clusters during fermentation. Finished wines were racked to a selection of French cooperage, mostly neutral barrels. Generously textured, ripe black cherry and plum fruit threaded with a forest-like mild earthiness, a terroir driven wine, showing old world complexity from the new world.



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VARIETAL	Pinot Noir 100%	COOPERAGE	Aged 15 months in 30% new French oak, 70% neutral French oak
ALCOHOL	14.3%	HARVEST DATE	8/25/14 - 9/27/14
CASES	909	RELEASE DATE	February 2016
RETAIL	\$30.00		

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