

1992 ESTATE PINOT NOIR

Blend: 100% Pinot Noir

Appellation: Napa Valley

Alcohol: 13.6%

pH: 3.64

Total Acid: .67

Aging: 18 months in French Oak

Production: Extremely Limited

This 1992 Pinot Noir celebrates the 22nd harvest from our vineyards located in the cool Oak Knoll area of the Napa Valley. This wine was crafted from grapes grown on a small parcel located in the heart of our estate.

The harvest of 1992 began in August and our Pinot Noir was picked on the 26th. The grapes were thinned at veraison by about 50% of the crop level to insure low yield and maximum flavors. The yield was approximately 2.6 tons/acre. Clusters are hand picked, immediately delivered to the winery and crushed into 1/2 ton open top fermenters for 10 days. This special process allows for maximum color extraction without harsh tannins. Aged for 18 months, we chose a combination of Allier and Voges french oak barrels, adding touches of spice and aromatic smokiness.

The final blend emphasizes rich flavors of black cherry and strawberry. The nose offers touches of vanilla and toast, leading to a long, silky, finish. We hope you enjoy this wine as much as we do.

