



Renteria

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**2011 PINOT NOIR
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
SONOMA COUNTY**

Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Vineyard:	92% ViMark Trione Vineyard, Russian River Valley, Sonoma County 8% BB Vyd, Russian River Valley, Sonoma County
Harvest Date:	September 30, 2011
Brix at Harvest:	23.1
Finished pH:	3.58
Finished TA:	5.73 g/l
Alcohol:	13.5%
Cooperage:	36% New French Oak (Burgundy Barrels)
Winemaker:	Karen Culler
Production:	225 cases
Release Date:	Spring 2015
Suggested Retail:	\$40.00 per Bottle

VINEYARD: The Vimark Vineyard is located in an excellent Pinot Noir site in Russian River, an area of Sonoma known for producing beautiful Pinot Noirs. The vineyard is located near the Russian River north of Forestville, and it receives all the benefits of the river, cool temperatures, fog, and alluvial soil with excellent drainage. This vineyard tends to ripen later and evenly, the reason for the soft tannins. The Renteria block is planted to clones 115 and 777 and was planted in 1998.

VINTAGE: What began with a wet winter and spring continued with rainfall into mid-June that delayed bloom and disrupted fruit, setting the stage for a long, cooler-than-average growing season with a later-than-average harvest beset with autumn rain storms. Few high heat events occurred at any point this year, but growers managed more open vine canopies to ensure sunlight, warmth and good air circulation around the grape clusters. After a consistently cool summer season, significant mid-October rain pushed the vintage even later. But growers were rewarded with weeks of fantastic weather, a prolonged Indian summer that provided needed ripening time. The Russian River Valley appellation tends toward the cooler temperatures in Sonoma with the low lying fog and temperature inversions near the river.

TASTING NOTES: Russian River Pinot Noirs are beautiful wines. The Renteria Russian River Pinot is always the softest and more feminine of the three Renteria Pinots produced. This unfiltered wine is earthy and crisp with hints of dusty raspberry. The aromatics tend toward classic cherry cola and cranberry with a bit of orange rind. The wine was aged 11 months in barrels prior to bottling on August 20, 2012.

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