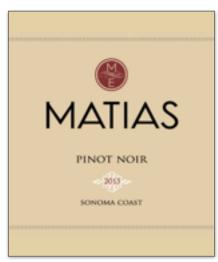


## 2013 Matias Pinot Noir | Sonoma Coast

**Vineyard**- This wine is sourced from Charles Heintz Vineyard and Hurst Vineyard in the Russian River Valley. Heintz Vineyard is on the very Western edge of the AVA while Hurst is planted in the Sebastopol Hills. Both vineyards are in deep well drained Goldridge soil profiles.

Vintage- The 2013 growing season essentially offered conditions that were as close to perfect as they come. Early winter rains were followed by a warm, dry spring, resulting in an early growing season that saw no frost. Summer was warm, but without the usual heat spikes to shut the vines down or produce sunburn. Ripening occurred earlier than usual, and was very even. The wines are bright, energetic, with beautiful aromatics and full of complexity.



Fermentation- 70% of the fruit was de-stemmed and moved

by gravity to open top fermenters. The remaining 30% was left whole cluster and added to the top of the de-stemmed fruit. The tank was chilled to 50F for a nice, long cold soak to increase enzymatic extraction then allowed to warm on its own. The fermentation was indigenous as was malolactic. The tank was pressed off just before dryness to preserve fruit and minimize harsh alcoholic extraction, the wine was transferred immediately to barrel without settling for added mouthfeel and complexity.

Harvest Date: September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Winemakers: Dan Fitzgerald

Assistant Winemaker: Nicole Michael

Cooperage & Aging: 100% French Oak, 40% new, aged on its lees for 10 months.

Bottling: August 2014

Production: 440 cases

**Sensory Notes:** This wine showcases a dark, reddish purple color in the glass. The nose is generous with dark fruit, tobacco leaf and mint tea. The palate is well structured yet wound with silky layers of dark brambly berries, hibiscus and cinnamon. The finish is soft, lean and satisfyingly long.

## **Final Technical Information**

**pH:** 3.56 **TA:** 0.65 g/100ml **Alc:** 13.6%

Available Formats: 750ml

**Suggested Retail Price:** \$40.00

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