

PINOT NOIR 2013 | VINTAGE

From the dense fogs and brilliant sun, to the high winds, cool coastal air and diverse terrain; California's coast presents many challenges. And yet it's still one of the best winegrowing regions for producing world-class Pinot Noir. Each of the vineyards chosen for this wine offers the best expression of their respective appellations, carefully blended to achieve balance, complexity and richness of flavor.

37%

MONTEREY COUNTY

Earth, leather,
ripe plums,
rich texture

34%

SONOMA COUNTY

Baking spices,
brightness,
creamy viscosity

29%

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

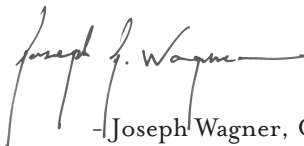
Bright cherry, minerality,
mid-palate weight

The 2013 growing season was ideal along the entire California coastline, with a dry, warm spring, prompting early bud-break, followed by a textbook summer, free of any heat spikes. We were exceptionally happy with the high quality and abundant fruit harvested from all three regions, definitely one for the record books. Each Pinot Noir lot was kept separate in the winery allowing for tailored winemaking to enhance the unique characteristics of each individual parcel. The end result is an evocative and memorable Pinot Noir that is well-balanced, richly flavored and deliciously complex. During fermentation, both punch-down and pump-over techniques were used to ensure balanced extraction of flavor, aromatics, structure and color. We fermented in 100% French oak, 60% new, to allow the sweet and structural influences from the barrel to intermingle seamlessly with the rich fruit and ripe tannins.

Meiomi Pinot Noir was created to be the perfect wine to enjoy with a wide array of food, with a consistent profile of supple tannins, silky texture and balanced acidity from vintage-to-vintage. It pairs well with many different cuisines – particularly tomato-based pasta dishes, thin crust pizza, grilled lamb and turkey – the perfect wine for any occasion.

TASTING NOTES:

A brilliant, rich garnet color, it opens with lifted fruit aromas of ripe strawberry, plum and sweet Bing cherry, along with light cedar and spicy vanilla notes. Bold and expressive boysenberry, plum, cherry cola and toasty mocha flavors lend complexity and depth on the palate. The vibrant acidity is well balanced by sweet oak and subtle herbal notes, with structure and depth seldom seen in Pinot Noir.



-Joseph Wagner, Owner & Winemaker

