



CUVAISON  
CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY

2014 *Estate Grown*

CARNEROS PINOT NOIR



Our Estate Pinot Noir is a carefully crafted blend of wines from 20 distinct blocks in our Carneros estate vineyard. Each block is vinified separately, using gentle winemaking techniques such as open top fermentation, gentle punch-downs, basket pressing and French oak aging designed to preserve the wine's delicacy and freshness. As a blend, the Estate Pinot Noir eloquently expresses the terroir to be found across our Carneros estate.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

"Our 2014 Estate bottling is both a classic example of Carneros Pinot Noir and the Cuvaison "style." By Carneros I mean the beautiful nexus of both red and black fruits; raspberry, blackcherry and wild strawberry notes intertwined with a savory spice element, clove and sandalwood. Our style is one of restraint and precision, delivering the essence of the vineyard and not the trappings of manipulation. In this way the site is respected and the wine offers a clear taste of the Cuvaison Estate Vineyard."

-STEVE ROGSTAD

#### WINEMAKING

HARVEST  
Date: Sept 1-Sept 19  
Age of Vines: 17 years average

FERMENTATION & AGING  
Fermentation: 12-20 days  
Barrel Aging: 11 months in small  
French oak barrels (33% new)  
ML: 100%

WINE  
Blend: 100% Pinot Noir  
Alcohol: 13.5%  
Acid: 5.1 g/L  
pH: 3.77



*Established in 1969, Cuvaison is dedicated to the production of vineyard-driven wines which showcase the distinguishing characteristics of our cool climate Carneros estate in Napa Valley. Cooled by fog from the San Pablo Bay, the rolling hills of our certified sustainable estate are known for producing distinctive Chardonnays and Pinot Noirs. Our Winemaker and Viticulturist Steve Rogstad employs block-by-block farming techniques, as well as a hand-crafted vine-to-bottle winemaking approach. The result are wines which are both complex and balanced, meant to be shared and enjoyed with family and friends*

*Cuvaison is a part of the Cuvaison Estate Wines family, who also produces Brandlin Vineyard wines from its estate on Mt. Veeder in Napa Valley.*