

2014 Sonoma County *Two Brothers Pinot noir*

When we set out to produce Pinot Noir at Donelan Family Wines, our desire was to produce a wine that embraces our favorite aspects of great Pinot Noir from Sonoma County. The journey has taken us to the 2014 vintage where we believe terroir and technique have met at a beautiful crossroad. Our goal was to uncover wonderful vineyards that produced great purity of fruit with touches of intriguing spice. Building on the 2013 vintage, the 2014 is now made with fruit from predominately two vineyards: Steiner Ranch, which is perched high on Sonoma Mountain, and the coastal vineyard, Devoto. In addition to these vineyards, we find a dash of spice from additional small parcels within Bennett Valley which put the finishing touches on a truly exciting wine.

Steiner Ranch provides both elegance and structure to the wine. The Pommard clone from the ranch produces a beautiful bouquet of rose petals and gingersnaps while the adjacent block of clone 115 provides the backbone and tannin profile. The mid-palate is supported by the addition of Devoto Vineyard fruit with its full, fleshy mouth-feel and its beautiful fruit composition of plum sauce, cranberries and fresh flowers.

The two vineyards find harmony on the palate and produce a supple, delicious Pinot Noir. The presence of tannin suggests many years of enjoyment however hard to resist now.

Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak

30%

Barrel Aging

16 months

Bottling Date

January 28th, 2016

Composition

100% Pinot noir

Alcohol

14.2%

Production

1661 cases

~30% Whole Cluster · Native Ferment/Native ML

