

## 2012 North Coast Two Brothers Pinot noir

With the 2012 Two Brothers, we have kept the representation of vineyards consistent with the 2011. By most standards, 2012 was a very consistent growing season, allowing the fruit to mature at a moderate rate. Our constant pressure on the vine for early water stress set the stage for great flavor expression and texture in the finished wine.

As the Two Brothers Pinot evolves in our portfolio, so does our approach. We like to create the blend like a director composes a scene – by evaluating it from every angle. This pinot represents a confluence of influence – the interaction of multiple sites, subsections of blocks, whole-cluster inclusion, and new

French oak. As with previous vintages, the 2012 expresses a dynamic juxtaposition of red fruits and forest fruits, alongside nutmeg and cedar. Paired with food, each of these is highlighted in its own way, and are together balanced with baking spice, fine tannin, and freshness.

## Vineyard Notes:

## Location

- Steiner Ranch (Sonoma Mountain ~41%)
- Perli Vineyard (Mendocino ~28%)
- Goldrock Ridge (Western Sonoma Coast ~21%)
- Russian River Valley ~10%

## Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak Composition
30% 100% Pinot noir

Barrel Aging Alcohol
18 months 14.1%

**Bottling Date** Production

March 26, 2014 1900 cases

~30% Whole Cluster · Native Ferment/Native ML

