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LAZY CREEK VINEYARDS

PROPRIETORS DON & RHONDA CARANO

2014

“FIVE BARREL” PINOT NOIR *Anderson Valley*

APPELLATION

Anderson Valley, Mendocino County

VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

COOPERAGE

80% new French oak
20% older French oak

TASTING NOTES

Located just off the coastal region of Mendocino County, peaceful and bucolic Anderson Valley has warm, sunny days and cool, foggy mornings that create the ideal microclimate for producing this exclusive, limited bottling Lazy Creek Vineyards “Five Barrel” Pinot Noir. This un-fined, unfiltered Pinot Noir is a blend of our five favorite barrels from two blocks on our estate ranch. Offering heady, complex aromas of sarsaparilla, wild berry and star anise, the flavors entice with juicy acai berry, black cherry and wild blueberry complemented by hints of toast and baking spices. Balanced and rich, this wine builds intensity through to the complex, lingering finish.

VINTAGE NOTES

2014 was another drought year for California. There were some rains in February followed by a warm spring which led to early bud break. A moderate growing season all year with warm days and cool nights culminated in an early harvest before the rains began in late September.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The hand-harvested grapes for this Pinot Noir are fermented in macrobins and small, open-top tanks. Lots are cold soaked for two to three days to optimize fruit aromas and flavors, and various yeast strains are used for complexity. Fermentors are punched down one to three times per day. Wines are pressed when dry and then racked to barrels to complete malolactic fermentation, then barrel aged for 11 months.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Our Lazy Creek Vineyards “Five Barrel” Pinot Noir is delicious paired with braised meats, fowl, veal, salmon, lobster and prawns. Medium-textured soups and stews are also complementary. For delicious cheese pairings with our Pinot Noir, try Gruyère, Gouda, French chèvre, Comté, Edam or a light Cheddar.

WINE INFORMATION

Bottled: September 2015, Alcohol/pH/TA: 15.2%/3.75/0.56, Cases: 117



Lazy Creek Vineyards is a Certified California Sustainable Winery

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