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LAZY CREEK VINEYARDS

PROPRIETORS DON & RHONDA CARANO

2014

ESTATE PINOT NOIR

Anderson Valley

APPELLATION

Anderson Valley, Mendocino County

VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

COOPERAGE

68% new French oak
32% 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 and nights that create the ideal microclimate for producing the Lazy Creek Vineyards Estate Pinot Noir. This delicious, sustainably-farmed wine has aromas of violets, toast, black fruits and a touch of pie crust. Dense and weighty flavors of blackberry, blueberry and acai with notes of star anise and clove round out this delicious wine. Rich and complex, the 2014 Lazy Creek Vineyards Estate Pinot Noir has a generous, lengthy finish.

VINTAGE NOTES

Our low-yielding vineyard of Pinot Noir grapes is comprised of Heritage and Dijon clones said to be one of the oldest vineyards in Anderson Valley. 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.

FOOD PAIRINGS

The Lazy Creek Vineyards Estate 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: August 2015, Alcohol/ph/ta: 14.5%/3.83/0.51, Cases: 424



Lazy Creek Vineyards is a Certified California Sustainable Winery

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