

# 2013 JAX Y3 PINOT NOIR

**JAX VINEYARDS, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY** The Pinot Noir is modeled classically in the form of its Burgundy counterparts. Lower alcohol, pretty refinement and elegance are the framework that make this Pinot so special. Russian River Valley brings to the picture nuances of bright cherry, strawberry patch, raspberry preserves, crushed spices and red roses. Bottled unfiltered and unfined, enjoy to 2022 and beyond.

## THE STORY BEHIND THIS WINE

For many years, we have looked at Pinot Noir as a distant fantasy....a varietal that we always loved but knew would be a difficult tackle. Not only is it a highly finicky grape requiring a milder climate, but also we know that pinot lovers are “die hard” fans wed to a very specific style. As hot climate Napa Valley vintners, we knew that we could not force our hand until the opportunity presented itself. Fast forward and along came our CEO Dan Parrott who had worked with some of the best producers in Burgundy before jumping on board at JAX. Dan inspired us to find the right vineyard and achieve a killer pinot!

## VINTAGE NOTES

We thought it couldn't get any better than it did in 2012, when plentiful sunshine and perfect temperatures ripened Russian River Valleys grape crop to perfection. Ocean breezes during bright, sunny days and brisk morning fog allow proper ripening while preserving the lively acidity in the wine. Gradual ripening allowed development of beautiful fruit flavors of cherry, kirsch, and light blackberry.

Our fruit is hand-harvested into small bins in the early morning to protect the fruit and preserve freshness. Grapes are hand sorted and partially de-stemmed before going into small open top fermenters. Following a 5-7 day cold soak period and 10-12 day fermentation the wine is aged in French oak barrels.

## SPECIFICATIONS

### PROPRIETORS

Kimberly & Trent Jackson

### WINEMAKER

Kirk Venge

### BLEND COMPOSITION

100% Pinot Noir

### APPELLATION

Russian River Valley

### ALCOHOL

14.1%

