FRANCIS COPPOLA RESERVE

DUTTON RANCH • RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
2013 PINOT NOIR





Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

Blend 100% Pinot Noir

Alcohol 13.6% Aged 9 months;

Appellation

40% new French oak,

60% 1-year-old oak.

SRP \$38

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In keeping with the Coppola promise to make every visit to the winery memorable and unique, we've created the Francis Coppola Reserve label—limited production wines that showcase distinctive vineyards from Sonoma's renowned appellations, and special winemaking techniques in the case of our rare dessert wines. Our head winemaker, Corey Beck, hand-selects exceptional lots of fruit from these prestigious vineyards for crafting small-batch wines including a unique late harvest Semillon and Petite Sirah "Port." Because these wines are produced in such limited quantities, they are reserved exclusively for winery guests, wine club members, and those who shop with us online.

THE LABEL

The artwork of film production designer Dean Tavoularis graces the labels of our FC Reserve wines. Tavoularis met Francis Coppola during the making of *The Godfather* and the two artists have continued to collaborate over the years on a variety of creative projects, including more than a dozen films, the courtyard and fountain at Inglenook in Napa Valley, and the interiors and exteriors of the Francis Ford Coppola Winery in Sonoma.

DUTTON RANCH

We sourced our Pinot Noir from the esteemed Dutton Ranch vineyards this vintage. These vineyards are under the care of the Dutton family who's been farming these vineyards for five generations. Their intricate knowledge of every lot and the nuances possessed by each clone ensures that all the fruit grown here has been cultivated to its highest level. The soil is comprised of sandy loam and some clay, which accentuates the fruit's intense aromatics. The cool, foggy mornings and warm days allow the grapes to ripen slowly and retain an ideal level of natural acidity so that the wines are perfectly balanced.

THE WINE

2013 has turned out to be yet another stellar vintage where ideal weather conditions created intensely concentrated and highly fragrant fruit. Not only did the grapes get extra hangtime, the berries were a little smaller than normal. Deeply colored and extremely fragrant, this year's Reserve Pinot Noir offers weight and luscious dark fruit flavors with excellent length. Blackberries, raspberries, and plums, earth notes and rose petals, star anise and spices—there's a beautiful tapestry of flavors in this wine along with vanilla toasted oak from the barrel aging. Enjoy with herbed pork tenderloin, roasted beef, or mushroom risotto.

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