

Hunter  
Wine Cellars



Chasseur

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## 2008 PINOT NOIR

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### Umino

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**Winemaker:** William Hunter  
**Production:** 149 cases  
**Alcohol:** 14.4%

#### The Vintage:

The 2008 vintage was one of superior quality. Temperate summer days and cool nights allowed for even ripening. Heat in late August/early September brought on excessive ripening. With a little patience we were able to get past this heat and subsequent cool days and nights put us in that window late in the season that allowed extended hang time. And more importantly we here in Sonoma County were not affected by the fires that that affected Mendocino County vineyards.

#### Winemaker's Notes:

Sweet-natured, seductive and full of youthful brightness, the nose of this many-layered wine weds forthright red cherry, wild strawberry, cranberry and orange zest scents to spice notes of white pepper and sweet grain. The same zest lends a raciness to an otherwise mouth-coating texture and brings some subtlety to what with airing turns into a wave of fruit and savory spice. That onrush of flavor fans-out through a sophisticated and lingering finish, where juicy red cherry and pomegranate fruit is embraced by orange zest, coriander seed, roasted grain, tobacco leaf and hints of dried herbs. All this opulence rests on a firm, but subtle tannic structure. This is a youthfully flashy Pinot, but one that promises years of ever-increasing elegance.

#### Technical Notes:

Bottled: November 13, 2009  
Yield: 2.2 tons/acre  
Total Acidity: 6.5 g/L  
pH: 3.65  
Alcohol: 14.4%

#### Grape Source:

Russian River Valley  
Umino Vineyard  
*Dijon Clone: 115, 777, 667 & 459*

#### Aging:

Fifteen months in 60 gallon  
French oak barrels: 67% new;  
100% from Tonnellerie Sirugue

#### Harvest:

September 25<sup>th</sup> at 26.0 degree Brix

#### Release Date:

October 1, 2010

#### Malolactic Fermentation:

100%

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