

Hunter
Wine Cellars



Chasseur

2012 Pinot Noir

Umino



Winemaker: William Hunter
Production: 202 cases
Alcohol: 14.0%

The Vintage:

There is very little to say about this dream vintage that has not been said. This textbook vintage couldn't have come out any better if drawn up on a blackboard ahead of time. A warm spring for set and a warm summer sans the requisite excessive heat, even ripening all the way to late September/mid-October made for a combination of high yields (even after multiple passes of dropping fruit) and yes yielding high quality, powerful wines. This vintage eschews the notion of better wines coming from lower yields.

Winemaker's Notes:

This is a generously and densely packed, dark and concentrated yet excitingly elegant Pinot. A rush of Mister Lincoln roses, white pepper and a hint of sweet Ariel plum waif from the glass and fill the nostrils. Dark Kirshwasser cherries, sweet red currant and coriander mingle playfully like White-tail fawn frolicking in a field of Anacardiaceous sumac. Two to four years of bottle age should improve this wine considerably.

Technical Notes:

Bottled: January 10, 2014
Yield: 2.94 tons/acre
Total Acidity: 6.47g/L
pH: 3.51
Alcohol: 14.1%

Grape Source:

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

Aging:

Seventeen months in 60 gallon
French oak barrels: 50% new;
100% from Tonnellerie Sirugue

Harvest:

October 19th & 20th at 24.6 degree brix

Release Date:

September 1, 2014

Malolactic Fermentation:

100%

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