

Hunter
Wine Cellars



Chasseur

2014 PINOT NOIR

Soft Asylum



Winemaker: William Hunter
Production: 105 cases
Alcohol: 14.1%

The Vintage:

Could the 2014 harvest be on par with the 2007? The undisputed facts are that the vintage came from a wonderful growing season with nearly perfect timing for all phases; bud break, set, version and harvest. The yield was in balance so no one will want for more but not so large that the wines are without weight and color. The true sign of a terrific vintage is that little or nothing needs to be added at the must/juice stage and this vintage being no exception. All lots came in with proper sugars, great flavors and excellent acids so that little or no additions were needed at the fermenter. Could be one for the ages or at least for years to come.

Winemaker's Notes:

Inky dark, this aggressive Pinot is loaded with all spice, clove and juniper berry. The palate is as equally aggressive and starts out with cigar box, black cherry and then the ship is anchored with dark chocolate and a cosmopolitan of dark fruits. Supple yet refined this Pinot is unique to others in its class.

Technical Notes:

Bottled: December 19, 2015
Yield: 2.54 tons/acre
Total Acidity: 5.8 g/L
pH: 3.47
Alcohol: 14.1%

Grape Source:

Russian River Valley

Aging:

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

Harvest:

October 5th at 25.2 degree brix

Release Date:

December 1, 2016

Malolactic Fermentation:

100%

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