

Dragonette

PINOT NOIR RADIAN VINEYARD A.V.A. Santa Rita Hills

Strive to create Pinot Noirs of textural purity, complexity and balance. Complexity and balance are achieved by meticulous attention to detail in the vineyard, where each vineyard block is managed for appropriate canopy and proper yields. Textural purity can only result where the delicate and ethereal Pinot Noir is very gently handed and manipulations in the cellar eschewed. Therefore we age our wines on their lees, without racking, with little movement and constant topping. Moreover, each wine is bottled only after sufficient time in barrel to permit ideal evolution.

We bottle single vineyard wines when wines from a particular vineyard express a unique character or sense of "place" and yet are complete wines of balance, harmony and interest.



COUNTRY

USA

VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

SOIL TYPE

Large amounts diatomaceous earth

VINEYARD

Radian vineyard Far western edge of Sta. Rita Hills Dramatically steep slopes Fog blanketed/ high winds buffeted

HARVEST

Manual harvest

VINIFICATION

1.4 Ton open top fermenters 97% Destemmed, 3% Whole Cluster 2-3 day cold soak Native yeasts Native MLF 18 months aging on the lees 100% French Oak (35% new)

TASTING NOTES

Grapes highly concentrated with great acidity from the cool year. Result lean and intense, with a fascinating mineral streak and a remarkable depth of flavor even at low alcohol levels.

CERTIFICATION

