



2009 PINOT NOIR WOLFF VINEYARDS

THE VINTAGE: The 2009 Double Bond Pinot Noir is full-bodied, dark and complex and it's growing season is the main reason. It came off without a hitch and early on, as the grapes began their stretch run of ripening and the possibilities were endless. There is no such thing as a perfect vintage, but 2009 came close as one of the best California vintages ever remembered. The rain actually extended the hang time, which allowed the grapes to develop a nice concentration and gorgeous acid balance.

THE VINEYARDS: Wolff Vineyard is one of the oldest vineyards in the Edna Valley Appellation and is located on 125 acres of ecologically friendly property. Owned and operated by Jean Pierre Wolff. The vineyard includes 37 acres of Pinot noir grapes. The source of the Double Bond Pinot stock, the Pinot Noir blocks are planted on four Dijon clones. The vines are situated on steep slopes with maximum southern exposure. They are grafted on two different root stocks best suited to the specific soil conditions, sun and wind exposure.

TASTING NOTES: *"This vintage has ripe, plummy fruit with notes of raisin, savory herb, mint, and pronounced barrel spice. Rich, luscious and spicy."* -Tim Gaiser- Internationally renowned wine expert and lecturer- Adjunct Professor for the Rudd Center Professional Wine Studies, Napa Valley

ACCOLADES:

- 2014 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition (The Largest Competition for American Wines in the World)- *Gold Winner*
- 2013 11th Annual SF Pinot Shootout- *Gold Winner 2nd* out of 440 Pinots with 36 judges in a blind format- *92 points*
- 2012 10th Annual SF Pinot Shootout- *Gold Winner* and People Choice Award out of 460 Pinots from across the United States
- 2012 Orange County Wine Competition (The Largest Competition for Californian Wines in the World) *Top 98.6 percentile (Top 5)* out of 2762 wines entered

APPELLATION: Edna Valley

AGING: 18 months in 100% French Oak (30% New)

PH: 3.57

BRIX: 24.3

ALCOHOL CONTENT: 15.2%

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