



CALERA

2014

JENSEN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

MT. HARLAN

Calera's Mt. Harlan Vineyards are located in the Gavilan Mountains 25 miles east of the Monterey Bay. The site was chosen for its limestone soils and ideal climate. At an average elevation of 2,200 feet it is among the highest and coolest vineyard sites in California.

Winemakers Notes

This 2014 Jensen vineyard Pinot Noir has a fabulous nose; beautiful integrated, seamless aromas of dark fruits, sweet oak, mineral, black cherry pie and mesquite. The texture is round and broad with many layers; the flavors are bright and perfumey, the structure is very fine grained and smooth. This wine is complete even so young, and promises a very long life ahead in the cellar.

Vineyard Details

Planted in 1975
13.8 acres, 6 x 10 spacing
4 hillside blocks, varied exposure
Clone: Calera Selection
Rootstock: St. George
Crop Yield: 0.47 tons/acre

Wine Analysis

Total Acidity: 6.9 g/l
Final pH: 3.45
Malolactic: 100 %
Alcohol: 14.3%
Production: 452 cases

All of our Mt Harlan vineyards are ORGANICALLY FARMED & CERTIFIED by CCOF

Vintage and Winemaking Detail

Little rainfall in 2014 led us into our third year of a drought. Warm spring temperatures and brilliant sunshine through the summer made for a fantastic growing season, but yields were severely affected by the lack of rainwater. This made for a fast, furious and early harvest.

We picked the Jensen vineyard in three separate passes from September 12th to the 17th. Each lot was pressed 14 days after harvest, raked by gravity to French oak barrels, then aged without racking in those barrels, 30% new, for eighteen months. The lots were then combined and the resultant wine was bottled without filtration, as always.