

2014 BOUGETZ CELLARS THE CAIRN CATIE'S CORNER VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER NOTES

With the 2014 vintage, we made a switch to the Russian River Valley. The fruit for the 2014 The Cairn Pinot Noir comes entirely from Catie's Corner Vineyard. Once again, we vinified with 15% whole cluster providing a bit more mouthfeel and spiciness to the wine, along with monthly lees stirring. We used 40% new oak for barrel aging, and the wine is a blend of 20 year old vines comprised of two Wadenswil clones, 1A and 2A. This wine shows classic Russian River Valley characteristics with the cherry cola notes enveloping a spicy red fruit dominated finish.

HARVEST NOTES

2014 was the third year into a sustained drought, showing similar characteristics to 2013. The vines were treated to a warm winter and we were treated to an early bud break. With almost no rain at all through the growing season, we were lucky to get a bit of a cooling trend in August which allowed the fruit to hang a little longer and reach full maturity. We harvested through the night of September 3rd and delivered the fruit early in the morning on the 4th.



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Harvest date: September 4th, 2014

Appellation: Russian River Valley

Vineyard: Catie's Corner Vineyard

• Brix at harvest: 25.9

• Crush: De-stemmed, 100% whole berry, 15% stem inclusion

• Fermentation: 14-day ferment

Aging: 10 months, with 40% new and 60% once used French Oak

• Alcohol: 14.3%

pH: 3.75

• TA: 5.57 g/L

Bottled: September, 2015

Case production: 135 cases

Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz

Suggested retail: \$39