



LEESE - FITCH

CALIFORNIA
PINOT NOIR

2014

TASTING NOTES

With a dark garnet hue, this wine bursts with aromas of fresh cherries, wild strawberry, vanilla bean, hints of root beer and crushed purple basil. A bright structure provides notes of cherry cream soda, plum and sweetened cranberry flavors. A smooth finish displays toasty brioche, blanched almond and dried cherry nuances.

WINEMAKER NOTES

An excellent vintage for Pinot Noir throughout the state of California, the weather was warm yet mild, which is perfect for cool climate delicate grapes. The fruit set wonderfully in the vineyard and matured while holding onto natural acidity. Most of the grapes were sourced from our vineyards in Clarksburg, growing in the cool breeze of the California Delta. We were also able to acquire a few small lots of Pinot Noir from the Lodi appellation in the cool southwestern part of the district. To round out the blend, a splash of Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir as well a small amount of Grenache, and Barbera were added to further complexity and volume while adding a delicate mouthfeel.

BLEND

93% Pinot Noir, 4% Grenache and
3% Barbera

APPELLATIONS

55% Clarksburg, 38% Lodi,
7% Sonoma Coast

ANALYSIS

pH 3.60
TA 6.1 g/L
ALC 13.5%
RS 3.1 g/L

UPC

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SRP

\$12

FOOD PAIRINGS

A wonderful pairing for this versatile wine would be, roasted chicken breast stuffed with brie, served with green beans topped with toasted almonds and sweet cream butter. An equally wonderful food pairing would be salmon served over wilted greens topped with honey mustard vinaigrette.