



# Castelli

2012

**Pinot Noir**

**Two Dog Vineyard  
Russian River Valley**

Every so often everything aligns in the growing season and the results exceed all expectations. 2012 was such a year; very long cool growing season with no heat spikes, no disease pressure, large crop fully matured.

Two Dog Vineyard is an acre sized plot, situated near the Olivet Lane corridor, home of renowned Pinot Noir growing sites. Traditional meter-by-meter spacing and dry farming keeps the fruit yield low and flavorful, producing a classic Russian River Valley Pinot. The resulting wine is a lighter cool season Russian River Pinot. It has a beautiful ruby color and a reticent but complex nose; leaner, less fruity than other vintages but with good tannic structure and acidity. Probably meant to be enjoyed on the early side.

Vinified with native yeasts, it contains only minimal sulfites and has been bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

Aged in neutral French oak for 32 months.

Cases Produced: 95

## **Technical Information:**

Harvest Date: 9/8/2012

Brix: 22.5

pH: 3.35

Fermentation: Half-ton open bins. 3 day lag time. 1-3 manual punchdowns/day.

Pressing Date: 9/24/12

Aged in neutral Francois Freres barrels.

Bottling Date: 9/24/15, bottle aged 12 months before release.

Final alcohol: 13.5%

Final ph: 3.7

Final TA: .586 g/100mL

Total SO<sub>2</sub>: 78 mg/L

Glucose + Fructose: 9mg/100mL