



DE LOACH  
VINEYARDS

*The Russian River Valley Original*



APPELLATION  
Russian River Valley

ALCOHOL  
14.5%

pH  
3.64

TITRATABLE ACIDITY  
5.5 g/L

AGED IN OAK  
100%

35% New

ORIGIN OF OAK  
French

MONTHS IN BARREL  
16

CASES PRODUCED  
499

2016

ESTATE VINEYARD

PINOT NOIR

#### IN THE VINEYARD

On February 3, 2010, Demeter USA, the only certification agent for Biodynamic® farms in the United States, certified the 17-acre estate vineyard and garden at DeLoach Vineyards, fully compliant with their standards for Demeter Biodynamic status. As one of only 64 wineries or vineyards in the U.S. with Demeter certified Biodynamic estate vineyards, DeLoach is among an elite group of sustainable wine grape growers committed to farming in parallel with the Earth's natural cycles.

The 2016 vintage in Sonoma County was almost perfect with moderate late winter rains, providing a healthy boost to the drought-stricken region. Moderate spring and summer weather led to elegant, profound wines with tremendous amounts of expression even at an early age.

#### CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

Planted on Huichica clay loam soil, our Estate has eight blocks of Pinot Noir with a unique combination of clone and rootstock. The 2016 Estate Pinot Noir is made using all of our eight estate clones – 115, 828, Swan, La Tache, Calera and Mt. Eden, 777 and 23. This combination of clones showcases the ideal expression of the estate's terroir and were fermented for 16 months in individual lots with native yeasts in open top fermenters, basket-pressed and aged on lees before being blended together and aged for an additional 2 months.

#### TASTING NOTES

The ultimate expression of our Russian River terroir, our 2016 Estate Vineyard Pinot Noir opens with aromas of raspberry and candied orange peel with hints of anise. Luscious flavors of strawberry, Santa Rosa plum and ripe cherry are balanced with an earthy note of black tea and hint of baking spice. Full and spreading across the palate, this wine offers a velvety mouthfeel and extremely long finish.

Jean-Charles Boisset  
Proprietor

Brian Maloney  
Winemaker