



N°3

- Graceful
- Honoris
- Maritus

Grape Variety:

100% Pinot Noir

Region:

60% Sebastopol Hills, Russian River Valley, California

40% Côte de Nuits, Burgundy, France

Why N°3:

Two worlds uniting as one create a sum greater than its parts: one plus one equals three! Inspired by the birth of twins that bear the imprint of the old world and the new, this wine celebrates the marriage of two wine worlds united to create a grander vision in which oceans may separate us, but wines unite us... JCB No. 3 is the best of both worlds!

Winemaking Notes

No. 3 brings together the world's best Pinot Noir *terroirs* by uniting Burgundy's Côte de Nuits and "America's Burgundy" – California's Russian River Valley. 60% of the grapes come from three vineyards in the Sebastopol Hills of the Russian River Valley; Maboroshi Vineyard, Starkey Vineyard and Pennacchio Vineyard. Each lot was vinified separately in open-top fermenters, punched down by hand, and aged in 100% French oak barrels – 33% new – for twelve months.

The remaining 40% of the grapes were grown in three vineyards in the Côte de Nuits, The first, Nuits St. Georges les Charbonnières, is located in the southern part of the village where the vines grow at lower altitudes than in the north. The vines are nearly seventy years old and the soil is comprised of clay and limestone. The balance comes from two vineyards in Gevrey-Chambertin that are fifty years old: Jeanes Rois, located north of Gevrey near the village of Brochon, offers grapes that lend finesse and elegance, while Es Murots, located at the southern end of the village, produces grapes with structure and power due to its thin soil with plenty of limestone. All grapes were destemmed, spent 21 days on their skins, and were aged in 100% French oak barrels with a very fine grain and long, low toast, for twelve months.

The Burgundy cuvées were vinified and aged individually, and sent in barrel from France to California. The final wine was blended in California according to the collaborative direction of Jean-Charles Boisset and Viniculturalists Brian Maloney and Gregory Patriat.

Tasting Notes:

Color: Brilliant garnet

Aromas: Dark macerated cherry intermingled with anise and cocoa.

Palate: Medium-bodied with flavors of dark cherry, anise, cocoa, au jus and a hint of rosemary, with a long finish that lingers on the palate.