



2007 PINOT NOIR – BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD



GRAPE VARIETY: 100% Pinot Noir
VINEYARD: Bien Nacido Vineyard,
Santa Maria Valley, Santa Barbara County
BOTTLING DATE: May 6, 2009
ALCOHOL: 14.8%
Total Acid: 0.559 g/100ml
pH: 3.78
PRODUCTION: 135 cases
RELEASE DATE: August 1, 2009

WINEMAKING

- Fruit was sorted before and after destemming (without crush rollers) and allowed to cold soak for 48 hours
- Fermented as whole berries in small, open-top bins; punched down by hand 3 times per day
- Pressed in small hydraulic basket press
- Free run and press juices were transferred to barrel dirty, and allowed to age on the lees in 100% single-use French oak barrels for 17 months
- Transferred to tank, cross flow filtered and bottled

TASTING NOTES

Our first Pinot Noir from Bien Nacido is very floral and elegant, with a classic flower pot nose balanced by cherry, raspberry and rose petals. This wine is young, and will benefit from decanting in 2009.

Drink now through 2014.

FOOD IDEAS:

- Earthy or gamey cheeses, such as goat
- Meaty fish, such as sea bass, tuna, or salmon
- Pesto and mushroom sauces
- Roasted chicken
- Pork loin