



TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Russian River Valley,
Sonoma County

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

PH: 3.70

TA: 5.4 g/L

AGING: 100% French oak, 25% new for
18 months

VARIETY: Pinot Noir

HARVEST DATES: September 20, 2024

CALIFORNIA'S FIRST PREMIUM WINERY
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Buena Vista Winery

VINICULTURAL SOCIETY

BELA'S SELECTION
PINOT NOIR
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY
VINTAGE 2024

The Buena Vista Vinicultural Society, formed in 1863 by the winery's founder, Count Agoston Haraszthy to further improve its winemaking prowess and expand its vineyards, has been restored as a collection of unique small-production wines that honor the winery's pioneering spirit and contribution to California winemaking. The Vinicultural Society explores clonal selections, varietals and the incredible terroir of Northern California.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Named for Count Haraszthy's youngest son, Bela's Selection Pinot Noir hails primarily from two vineyards, Starkey and Goodin, in the Sebastopol Hills area of the Russian River Valley. Starkey Vineyard is planted to 30+ year-old vines and includes clones 23, 828 and Pommard. Goodin Vineyard is located in the southeastern hills of the Russian River Valley which is ideal for growing Pinot Noir grapes.

TASTING NOTES

Draped in rich, inky violet tones, this wine captivates with expressive aromas of wild blackberry and dark plum, accented by hints of cassis and warm baking spice. The palate reveals remarkable depth and texture, layering juicy black cherry, subtle anise, savory herbal notes, and a whisper of fresh lavender. Bright, well-integrated acidity and refined tannins provide structure and balance, leading to a smooth, persistent finish that lingers with elegance and complexity.

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