

DR. STAN'S VINEYARD PINOT NOIR 2012 CARNEROS

ALC. 13.5% BY VOL.

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A gentlemen's vineyard of less than 1 acre of 30+ year old Pinot Noir vines planted entirely to the Dijon 115 clone. This truly old vine pinot noir vineyard on the northern edge of the Carneros Sonoma County AVA was once part of 20+ acre parcel. In the late 1980's the vineyard was subdivided into a number of residential estate parcels with many of the original vines sadly torn out and never replanted. The vines are vertically trellised and aligned northeast by southwest and create a wonderful first impression when entering the property.

The 2012 vintage can easily be described as potentially the best of the past decade. A nearly perfect flowering and fruit set in the spring along with warm yet moderate summer temperatures resulted in a harvest with wonderful balance and yields from the vines. Dr Stan's Pinot Noir displays vibrant hues of ruby red. The nose reveals a floral component with strawberry and ripe cherry leading to notable earthly layers on the palate and finish. This elegant and sophisticated wine will continue to take on weight in the bottle much like a classic burgundian pinot.

Technical Specifications

PH:

3.65

VINTAGE: 2012

VARIETAL: Pinot Noir FERMENTATION: Complete Malolactic Fermentation

APPELLATION: Carneros - Sonoma

CASE PRODUCTION: 79 cases

ALCOHOL CONTENT: 13.50%

BARREL AGING: 10 months

BARREL COMPOSITION: 100% 1, 2 & 3yr Neutral Burgundian Oak