

## 2012 PINOT NOIR

## Nobles Vineyards Sonoma Coast

The Davies family of Schramsberg Vineyards and J. Davies Estate in Napa Valley is pleased to release its fourth vintage of still wines made from Pinot Noir. The family's experience with Pinot Noir dates back to 1967, when Jack and Jamie Davies first used this elegant red variety to make their inaugural vintage of Schramsberg Blanc de Noirs sparkling wine. Since then, Schramsberg's winemakers have built long-lasting relationships with some of the best Pinot Noir growers in the North Coast. Developing upon this passion, history and experience, second-generation vintner Hugh Davies and winemaker Sean Thompson are proud to present this vineyard-designate Pinot Noir wine from the 2012 vintage.

## VINEYARDS

Nobles Vineyard produces richly layered Pinot Noir. It is located approximately 75 miles north of San Francisco, northeast of Fort Ross, in the heart of California's proposed West Sonoma Coast AVA. With moderate daytime and nighttime temperature swings within this pocket of land, the 3.5 acres of Pinot Noir follow a steady path to optimum ripeness, full flavor and color expression. The vineyards are on the eastern slopes of the second mountain ridge in from the Pacific Ocean, between 950 and 1,050 feet above sea level. Planted in 1993, on the property's Goldridge fine sandy loam soil, less than two tons per acre of vibrant, yet supple, fruit is harvested each year.

Appellation: Sonoma Coast

Varietal Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

CLONES: Martini 15, 777, 828

HARVEST DATES: September 29-October 9

BARREL AGING: 15 months in French oak, 41% new

Coopers: Damy, François Frere, Vicard, Taransaud

Bottled: January 20, 2014

Production: 1,100 cases (6/750ml)

ALCOHOL: 14.0%

TA: 0.58g/100ml

pH: 3.70

