



# FLANAGAN

2012 PINOT NOIR, *Three Starrs Vineyard,*  
*Sonoma Coast*



HARVEST DATE September 9, 2012

BRIX 25.2

PH 3.68

TA 5.8

CASES PRODUCED 168

RELEASE DATE March 15, 2014

## PRODUCTION NOTES

Our 2012 Flanagan Pinot Noir Russian River Valley is a wine that reflects the warmth and balance of the perfect 2012 vintage. The vineyard set a modest amount of fruit and the long, sunny growing season let us pick our grapes in impeccable condition. The resulting wine has both exceptional purity and excellent structure. Our 2012 Flanagan Pinot Noir builds on the strength of our lovely inaugural 2011 Pinot. The wine is a blend of Swan and Pommard clones, vinified separately, in Taransaud Oak 3 ton fermenters. We used 10% whole clusters in the Swan ferment and no whole clusters in the Pommard. The wine was aged in 50% new French oak barrels, from Damy and Francois Freres, for 16 months.

## TASTING NOTES

The nose reveals a mix of black fruits and earthier tones. This reflects the blend of Swan and Pommard clones with the Swan providing the flashy fruit and the Pommard the mineral aspect. The palate resolves the fruit notes in the bouquet into ripe black plum skins and has a beautifully integrated influence from the 50% new cooperage. The wine has very good length, and a rich finish. While eminently drinkable young it will age gracefully for 5-10 years new barrels and 5 one-year old barrels.