



2005 Pinot Noir – High Density
Estate Small Lot Collection

172 cases produced, \$46/btl (6 bottle maximum)

Release Date 03/23/07

Vintage. Enduring naturally stressed conditions due to its 4' x 3' spacing, this one-third acre section has all 14 clones of pinot noir which are planted on our estate and is the only wine where all the clones are co-fermented together. With a scarcity of nutrients, water and sun due to the increased vine competition, this section's roots stress in their search to sustain themselves, forcing lower yields and pulling more mineral characteristics into the resulting wine. 0% stem inclusion. Yields at 3.0 lbs / plant. Total skin and stem contact averaged 30 days (7 day cold soak, 2 + weeks of fermentation and 1 + week extended maceration.) From the press, the wine was transferred directly into barrel (30% new French oak: Sirugue), where it remained sur lie with no sulfur until late Spring and was bottled in December. 15.2% alcohol.

Tasting Notes: *An enticing perfume of red currant, wild strawberry and raspberry jump out of the glass followed by refined spice notes of cinnamon stick, clove and hazelnut. Underbrush, wild rose and orange melon also linger. Texturally, these nuances are more broad and generous allowing the wine to finish with noble elegance and subtle concentration.*