

2012 Pisoni Pinot Noir

Gary Pisoni is the iconic grower whose Pisoni Vineyard Pinot Noir has brought worldwide attention to the Santa Lucia Highlands. Planted with renowned "Pisoni clone", this unique vineyard produces amazing Pinots which can rival the best red Burgundies. We are particularly honored to be among the select few to receive fruit from Gary Pisoni.

All our grapes are hand picked and sorted at the winery for maximum quality. They are destemmed and gently pumped into small fermenters, each with a different yeast, and hand punched two to three times each day in order to extract every bit of flavor. Once fermentation and pressing were complete, the wines are aged in French oak barrels for ten months before final blending and bottling.

We enjoyed moderate temperatures and dry conditions throughout the 2012 growing season, providing us with perfect ripeness levels.

The robe of our 2012 Pisoni is a beautiful, deep crimson-red. Aromas show bright notes of red cherry and cranberry along with hints of spice. The concentrated flavors are very full of juicy red fruits along with subtle spicy notes. Its naturally supportive acidity and tannic structure provide excellent ageing potential for this superb wine.

Harvest:

October 9th, 2012.

Appellation:

Pisoni Vineyard, Santa Lucia Highlands.

Cooperage:

Sirugue, Cadus, Billon and Damy. 100% Burgundian; 50% new.

Bottled:

August 23rd, 2013 896 – 6/packs (750 mls.)

Retail:

\$70