



Summerland



2014
Theresa Noelle
Proprietors Reserve
PINOT NOIR

VINTAGE: 2014
APPELLATION: STA. RITA HILLS
VARIETAL: PINOT NOIR
VINEYARDS: 100% Theresa Noelle Vineyard
HARVEST DATE: 09/15/2014
BRIX AT HARVEST: 24.6°
ALCOHOL: 14.1%
pH: 3.6
TA: 6.8 g/L
CASE PRODUCTION (9L): 150 Cases
RELEASE DATE: 4/20/2017
SUGGESTED RETAIL: \$70

VINEYARDS:

Theresa-Noelle Vineyard Proprietors Reserve Pinot noir comes from our estate vineyard located on the western end on the Santa Rita Hills AVA. Planted to four clones of Pinot noir, clone 828, clone 115, clone 667 and clone Pomard, the vineyard shows distinct flavor profiles attributed to Dijon clones. In the fall, the grapes are hand harvested and selected for the Proprietors program with utmost quality in mind.

VINIFICATION:

The vinification of the Proprietors Reserve is conducted in small lot fermenters and punch down by hand by our cellar crew. We ferment the grapes using a strain of yeast originally from a small region in Germany to bring out complex organoleptic profiles. After primary fermentation is complete the wine is aged in high quality French oak barrels for 14-16 months. Prior to bottling each barrel lot is graded, scrutinized and selected by the proprietor to ensure only the best in the Proprietor's program.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS:

This wine offers a wonderfully elevated perfumed nose of Bing cherries, rose petal and nutmeg. There is a bright cherry/strawberry nose, with a hint of raspberry, spice, pie cherry, sage and toffee that are classic to the Theresa-Noelle vineyard. Mouth watering flavors of cherries, strawberry, root beer, rose petal and toasted vanilla beans give way to the balanced acidity. The prosperous textural mouth feel helps to carry the rich and round tannins that follow through long into the finish.

TASTING NOTES:

On the palate, the wines open with beautiful red fruit and floral aromatics, giving way to a full bodied wine with complex fruit, herb and oak profiles. Very complex, rich and lush - with a power that shows little restraint!
