

## 2014 Point & Line Pinot Noir - Reserve

Source, Appellation - John Sebastiano Vineyard, Sta. Rita Hills

Clone - Pommard 5

Harvest - 25.0° brix on August 26, 2014

Bottling - 55 cases on January 25, 2016

Élevage - 16 months. Unracked.

Cooperage - 67% new Rousseau French oak barriques, 33% whole-cluster stem inclusion.

TA - 5.25 g/L

pH - 3.79

ABV - 14.4%

The reserve lot came into being during early days of cellar tasting when a few barrels stood apart in terms of their tension, depth and grace. For cuvaision we always ferment a certain amount of the grapes as whole clusters, entirely on their stems. We found this combination of traditional stem inclusion, *en tirage*, and sumptuous new oak to be a fascinating match. Tasting notes arrive and leave in a flash, so try these:

Mission figs, strawberries, plums and a hint of prunes dance over a structure built to reward patience. Morels and tea leaves bring a careful earthiness to the mid-palate. Lush and persistent on the finish, asking for roasted game, charcuterie and conversation. Complex and layered, the 2014 Pinot Noir Reserve will reward from cellaring then decanting and will complement a broad range of food and mood, making it ideal for any casual or coursed fare.