



# Castelli

2010

**Estate Pinot Noir  
Green Valley  
Russian River Valley**

Though 2010 is considered a difficult year for Russian River Pinot, the only difficulty we encountered with our grapes was a lower yield than the norm. The growing season was cooler than usual, with a wet spring continuing pretty regularly until the end of May and cool weather throughout the summer. Bud-break was delayed and disease pressure was relatively high (for California). The vineyards by the end of July seemed to be about two weeks behind schedule – then on August 21st we had a major three day heat spike. Depending upon where it was in its development phase some fruit was sunburned. Luckily the timing was right and our Pinot fared well since it was all well past veraison. It ripened well and was picked before early rains started again in late September.

Aged in neutral French oak for 32 months.

Cases Produced: 150

**Technical Information:**

Harvest Date: 9/8/2010

Brix: 23

pH: 3.2

Fermentation: Half-ton open bins. 3 day lag time. 1-3 manual punchdowns/day.

Pressing Date: 9/17/2010.

Aged: 32 months in neutral Francois Freres barrels.

Bottling Date: 8/30/2013, bottle aged 12 months before release.

Final alcohol: 13.6%

Final ph: 3.43

Final TA: .726 g/100mL

Total SO<sub>2</sub>: 98 mg/L

Glucose + Fructose: None detected