

LONGBOARD

VINEYARDS

2012 PINOT NOIR MYSTOS RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY



The longer I make wines - the more simplistic my views get. In this case, I have to force myself to write about this wine because all I want to say is one word: Classic. It is as if anything else I write about it will just take away from a wine that speaks for itself.

This wine comes from a Russian River Valley hillside vineyard we call "Mystos" because its owners do not want their name in print. Mystos is also the name of a surf spot known only to the locals who surf the Sonoma Coast. Sorry, we can't tell you where it is....

This Pinot Noir is one that makes you think of great friendships - quiet, constantly evolving and powerful; it makes you stop and look deep inside yourself. Yes, it is only a wine, but the vintage, the location, the indigenous-yeast fermentation and the delicate oak selected for long maturation - all worked in unison to produce a uniquely balanced wine with great acidity that begs you to design a perfect meal around it. It will age well, like good friendships tend to do.

Technical Information

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| Composition: | 100% Pinot Noir |
| Appellation: | 100% Russian River Valley |
| Fermentation: | Uninoculated, in bins, manual punch-downs |
| Ageing: | 16 months in French Oak barrels |
| Analysis: | Alcohol 14.2 %, pH 3.58 |