

2005 Pisoni Vineyard Pinot Noir



Pisoni Vineyard Hermanos Block

<i>Appellation:</i>	Santa Lucia Highlands – Monterey County
<i>Vineyard Site:</i>	48 acres of hillside vineyard, 900-1300 feet in elevation. The vineyard is primarily east facing and is the southernmost in the appellation. The elevation keeps the vineyard above the fog line, and it is protected from the brunt of the afternoon sea breeze that blows up the Salinas Valley. Coordinates: 36, 20, 31 N 121, 21, 58 W
<i>Soil:</i>	Virgin sandy loam, decomposed granite
<i>Clone/Rootstock:</i>	Pisoni Clone on 5-C
<i>Vineyard blocks:</i>	Tina and Lower Hermanos
<i>Vineyard mgmt.</i>	E/W rows, 8x5 spacing, 1089 vines per acre Vertical shoot positioning, spur pruned, unilateral cordon Tina Block – Quadrilaterally trained
<i>Harvest:</i>	October 3 ; average yields 3.25 TPA
<i>Juice statistics:</i>	26.5 avg. brix, pH3.4, TA .75
<i>Vinification:</i>	Hand sorted 100% destemmed Open top fermenters 1-3 ton size with two daily punch downs. Yeast : RC-212 Malo: Indigenous Aged 16 months in 60% new French oak- Francois, Remond. Racked once – June 2006 Bottled 1/24/07 unfinned and unfiltered.
<i>Wine profile:</i>	100% Pinot Noir, alcohol 14.9% pH 3.8
<i>Case production:</i>	290
<i>Characteristics:</i>	Bold yet refined, this very unique interpretation of Pinot Noir is part site, part clone and part viticulture. All vineyards of course have these same components. What makes this one so unusual is the seamless integration of these parts. Maybe that is why the wines have such depth, balance and flavor. This one would be happy with rare grilled steak and morels

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