



DE LOACH
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The Russian River Valley Original



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PINOT BLANC

Barrel Fermented on Lees

NESTLED IN THE HEART OF SONOMA COUNTY, DELOACH VINEYARDS OFFERS A UNIQUE BLEND OF FRENCH WINEMAKING HERITAGE AND RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY TERROIR.



A FAMILY TRADITION SINCE 1975

APPELLATION:
Russian River Valley

HARVEST DATE:
Oct. 9, 2009

ALCOHOL:
14.5% by volume

pH:
3.44

TITRATABLE ACIDITY:
5.66 g/L

AGED IN OAK:
100%

ORIGIN OF OAK:
French

MONTHS IN BARREL:
5

PRODUCTION:
103

SUGGESTED RETAIL:
\$24

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IN THE VINEYARD

From Saralee and Richard Kunde's vineyard, the Pinot Blanc is grown in a small section called the "Frog Patch". Very low yields and superb ripeness at low brix yields a wine of intensity and elegance that vibrates across the palate.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The clusters are pressed whole, left to settle overnight and then racked to neutral French oak barrels. The cool natural fermentation, in combination with the lees contact and a small amount of stirring, yields a classic expression of Pinot Blanc. The wine is left to age on the lees for 6 months, and then bottled with no malolactic fermentation occurring.

TASTING NOTES

Flinty and mineral notes on the nose, with hints of strawberry fraise de bois, Eureka lemon and honeydew melon.

This wine has a medium-plus body, with a slight yeastiness that adds texture to the fruit. A fresh creaminess adds fullness to the mouth feel, and peach notes with a touch of vanilla lend themselves to a long finish.

Jean Charles Boisset

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET
Proprietor

Brian Maloney

BRIAN MALONEY
Winemaker