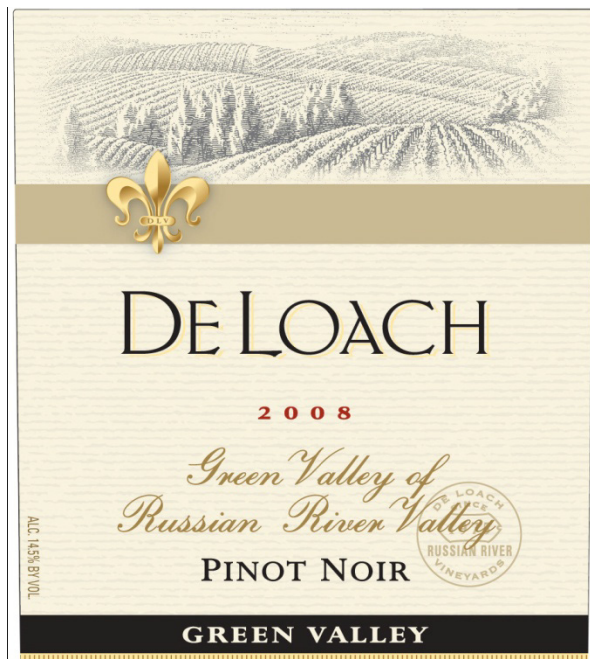




DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



APPELLATION:
Green Valley of
Russian River Valley

ALCOHOL:
14.5% by volume

pH:
3.60

TITRATABLE ACIDITY:
4.85 g/L

AGED IN OAK:
100%
~25% New Oak~

ORIGIN OF OAK:
French & Hungarian

MONTHS IN BARREL:
10

PRODUCTION:
1,467 Cases

SUGGESTED RETAIL:
\$45



2008 GREEN VALLEY PINOT NOIR

IN THE VINEYARD

In the western hills of the Russian River Valley, the small Green Valley appellation is one of Sonoma County's coolest regions. Evening fog blankets push over from the Pacific Ocean to temper the warm summer days. These optimal conditions extend the growing season, encouraging flavor concentration in the berries while soils rich in minerals from an ancient seabed infuse the fruit with nuanced flavors.

FROM THE WINEMAKER

This wine is a blend from several vineyards and Pinot noir clones, each of which contributes something unique to the finished wine. The late-ripening Ferguson vineyard lends dark, intense fruit and tannins while the Giberti vineyard ripens earlier in a slightly warmer area of the valley. The backbone of the blend is from the Swicegood vineyard where the soils are reminiscent of those in Burgundy: rich in clay and calcareous. Grapes are destemmed and go through native fermentation in open-top vats with hand punchdowns. The Giberti and Ferguson lots were blended after pressing, and were aged separately from the Swicegood lots until just before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Complex and enticingly aromatic, bursting with notes of raspberries, strawberry-rhubarb pie, plum and black cherries with traces of pine duff and lavender. With a rich fruit palate, a fine-grained medium body and long finish, this wine is excellent alone or with grilled salmon or a seared duck breast with a blackcurrant glaze.

Jean Charles Boisset

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