



2006 Pinot Noir Jewell Block Vineyard Russian River Valley

The Wine

This Jewell Block Pinot has a typical soft color profile that packs an unexpected intense structure on both the nose and the palate. Starting with hues of garnet with wild strawberry, cherry and a touch of sandalwood hiding behind the fruit, mouth watering texture embodies strawberry, soft red cherry finished with a traditional cinnamon heart .

The Vineyards

Dutton Ranch farms over eighty unique, separate vineyards located in the coolest areas of the Russian River Valley, primarily in the sub-appellation known as the Green Valley. We have selected our favorite vineyards from our family's Dutton Ranch to craft wine reflecting our vision of a signature Russian River Valley Pinot Noir. Located in the core of the Green Valley's Russian River appellation and situated on the crown of the hill east to Dutton Ranch's "Shop Block", Jewell Vineyard was once home to Gravenstein Apples. Planted to chardonnay and pinot noir vines in 1995, our Jewell Block Pinot Noir truly is a gem exhibiting a superb source of fruit showing the way to an exceptional wine. Planted on traditional Gold Ridge soil that is prominent within the Green Valley appellation, the vineyard produces a delicate wine with layers of bright fruit and spice

The Winemaking

After de-stemming into small open top fermenters, the must is cold-soaked for 5 days to gently extract spice and fruit characters, while extenuating harsher tannins. We punch down by hand up to four times daily, according to the stage of the fermentation. Each vineyard or block is fermented separately enabling us to afford optimization of each according to its needs, and to provide us with the most flexibility for blending. After fermentation, the individual lots are racked into French oak to age. Our winemaker chooses the barrels to emphasize the fruit and vineyard characteristics of the wine, while accenting the flavors of the barrels to avoid showcasing the oak itself. We carefully blend our favorite Dutton Ranch lots in the spring from these selected vineyards to allow the wine to marry and settle for bottling. The final blend rests in barrel until early summer when we bottle with minimal processing in July 2006.

THE WINERY

Dutton Estate

CLONES

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APPELLATION

Russian River Valley
Green Valley

WINEMAKING

De-stemmed, cold soaked, open top fermentation, manual punch down, indigenous yeast, 100% Malolactic Fermentation

VINEYARDS

Jewell Vineyard,
selected block

SOIL

Gold Ridge

BARREL AGING

Aged 10 months in French oak barrels, 31% new oak.

ALCOHOL

14.7 %

pH
3.82

SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE

\$47.00

TITRATABLE

ACIDITY
.550g/100ml.

WINEMAKER

Mat Gustafson

CASES PRODUCED

377 cases 6/750ml

The passion at Dutton Estate Winery is to produce unparalleled vineyard designated pinot noir, chardonnay, sauvignon blanc and syrah. Methodically working together, Tracy and Joe Dutton along with winemaker Mat Gustafson are committed to expressing the terrior from the selected estate family vineyards at Dutton Ranch. With a devoted grape grower and winemaker, the results are unsurpassed and individually spoken in the wines.