



PATZ & HALL

2008 HYDE VINEYARD – CARNEROS PINOT NOIR

Vineyard Character: This vineyard often exhibits classic Carneros flavors of strawberries and raspberries mingled with mocha, espresso and cinnamon. Our HYDE VINEYARD - Carneros Pinot Noir consists of grapes from three small parcels of the vineyard planted to a veritable who's who of the finest Pinot clones. Though this wine focuses on a core of Hyde-Calera grapes, it also includes Dijon 777, 667, 115, Swan, Pommard and Bebe clone fruit. As a result, it is at once delicate and fascinatingly intricate, while at the same time being dense, deeply colored and extracted.

Tasting Notes: With compelling density, a broad, plush texture and fine-grained tannins that saturate the palate, this is a rich and supple Pinot Noir offering lovely purity of fruit. Precocious and accessible, it is revealing delicious layers of strawberry, pomegranate and red apple skin in its youth, alongside elements of blueberry, toffee and coffee. Classic Hyde, this is a true reflection of a warmer growing site and a world-class vineyard.

Winemaking:

100% Pinot Noir

Multi-yeast fermentations (wild & cultured)

100% malo-lactic fermentation in barrel

60% new Burgundian French oak barrels

Bottled without fining or filtration

Release Date: October 2010

Cases produced: 628

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Larry Hyde and Family – Hyde Vineyard – Carneros, Napa Valley

Hyde Vineyard has justifiably become one of the superstar vineyards in Carneros. Through many years of dedicated research, planting and winemaking, Larry Hyde has developed two of the most important grape selections in California: Hyde-Wente Chardonnay and Hyde-Calera Pinot Noir. Our HYDE VINEYARD - Carneros Pinot Noir comes from three small blocks within the larger Hyde Vineyard: two are planted with the famous Hyde-Calera selection, along with some Dijon, Pommard and Bebe clones, and the third is a plot of 25-year-old Swan clone.

James Hall
Winemaker