



PATZ & HALL

## 2009 JENKINS RANCH – SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR

**Vineyard Character:** Located about two miles west of Sebastopol on Pleasant Hill Rd. (in an area known as Sebastopol Hills), the 18-acre Jenkins Ranch is situated on gently rolling hills at an elevation of approximately 400 feet. Another one of our vineyards that was once an apple orchard, Jenkins Ranch features Goldridge series gravelly loam soils planted to Dijon selections 667, 115 and 777. These vines were planted under the guidance of renowned vineyard manager Charlie Chenoweth in 2001, and consistently produce extraordinarily small yields, highlighting beautiful Sonoma Coast red-fruit flavors, high acidity and ethereal aromatics.

**Tasting Notes:** Though Jenkins Ranch is historically known for its red-fruit flavors, the character of the 2009 vintage has brought an extra measure of depth and suppleness to this wine, moving red cherry elements more into the black cherry spectrum, alongside ripe boysenberry and floral layers, as well as lavender, licorice, brown sugar and savory teriyaki notes. Though this wine offers remarkable density on the palate, with big extract and soft, round tannins, there is also a tempering freshness and lift that bodes well for this wine's longevity.

**Winemaking:**

100% Pinot Noir  
Multi-yeast fermentations (wild & cultured)  
15% whole clusters  
100% malo-lactic fermentation in barrel  
70% new Burgundian French oak barrels  
Bottled without fining or filtration

**Release Date: March 2011**

**Cases Produced: 437**

### THE PATZ & HALL FAMILY OF WINEGROWERS

*The Jenkins Family – Jenkins Ranch – Sonoma Coast*

Jenkins Ranch is the old family homestead of the Jenkins family. Together, Nancy Jenkins and her daughters, Kacie and Brodie, form the popular country music family trio, The Jenkins. In 2001, the family began working with Charlie Chenoweth, and since then the site has emerged as a wonderful Pinot Noir vineyard. Though the site features cool coastal influences, it also benefits from the shelter and warmth of a location, one series of hills back from the Petaluma Gap. As a result, there is a lovely suppleness to the fruit from this vineyard.

**James Hall**  
Winemaker