



PATZ & HALL

2009 SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR

Vineyard Character: This beautiful wine features fruit from an array of exceptional Sonoma Coast winegrowing sites, including vineyards in Green Valley, Sonoma Valley and the Russian River Valley. Some of the appellation's most distinguished viticulturists and vineyard owners provide fruit for this complex blend, including the Dutton Brothers, the Martinelli family, William Hill, Charlie Chenoweth and Steve Hill.

Tasting Notes: With a cool summer and a warm, unhurried harvest period, the 2009 growing season produced a standout SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR, combining the structure and purity of the 2007 vintage, with the depth and ripe appeal of 2008. The aromas reveal inviting layers of strawberry, cherry, cranberry and Kirsch that are echoed on the palate alongside notes of spicy fruit. The tannins are broad and muscular, adding mouthcoating richness and vibrant intensity. Lush and compelling now, but with a depth and structure that bodes well for extended aging.

Winemaking:

100% Pinot Noir fruit
Multi-yeast fermentations (wild & cultured)
100% malo-lactic fermentation in barrel
40% new Burgundian French oak barrels
Bottled without fining or filtration

Release Date: September 2010

Retail Price per 750 ml: \$42.00

THE PATZ & HALL FAMILY OF WINEGROWERS

To craft our Patz & Hall SONOMA COAST PINOT NOIR, we source grapes from a number of California's most distinguished winegrowing families. The Dutton family provides us with fruit from several of their small vineyard sites. Charlie Chenoweth, Lee Martinelli, and Steve Hill also contribute superb quality fruit to this complex blend of vineyard sites and clones. The blend also features a core of fruit from Gap's Crown, one of the Sonoma Coast's great emerging vineyards. In addition, to achieve our goal of producing a Pinot Noir that embodies the depth, structure and vibrant fruit flavors of the Sonoma Coast, we continually seek out new single-vineyard caliber Pinot Noir sites to add to this delicious cuvée.

James Hall
Winemaker