

## 2002 PINOT NOIR CUVEE AGUSTINA HYDE VINEYARD CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY

### VINEYARD

- ◆ OWNER/MGR: HYDE FAMILY/LARRY HYDE
- ◆ APPELLATION: CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY
- ◆ CLONE: CALERA
- ◆ VINE AGE: 21 YEARS
- ◆ SITE: ALLUVIAL SANDY-CLAY LOAM, GENTLE EAST FACING HILLSIDE
- ◆ YIELD: 1.8 TONS /ACRE

### HARVEST

- ◆ HARVEST DATES: SEPTEMBER 12, 2002
- ◆ HARVEST BRIX: 28.6 °
- ◆ GROWING SEASON: A COLD SPRING WHICH RESULTED IN LATE BUD BREAK, FOLLOWED BY A RELATIVELY WARM SUMMER, PRODUCED CONCENTRATED, BIG STYLE WINES. ADDITIONALLY, MUCH WORK IN THE VINEYARD TO LIMIT A LARGE CROP SET HELPED TO FURTHER OPTIMIZE FLAVOR INTENSITY AND RICHNESS IN THE GRAPES.

### WINEMAKING

- ◆ HAND-HARVESTED GRAPES
- ◆ FERMENTED IN SMALL, OPEN-TOP STAINLESS STEEL FERMENTORS WITH INDIGENOUS YEASTS; 2 MONTHS TO COMPLETION
- ◆ SPONTANEOUS MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION IN BARRELS, 6 MONTHS TO COMPLETION
- ◆ AGED 16 MONTHS IN FRENCH OAK BARRELS FROM REMOND, FRANCOIS FRERES, AND CADUS; 88 % NEW
- ◆ UNBLENDED, UNFINED, UNFILTERED; BOTTLED JANUARY 2004

### NOTES

- ◆ CUVEE AGUSTINA PINOT NOIR, NAMED FOR PAUL'S DAUGHTER, IS A SELECTION OF THE BEST BARRELS OF OUR HYDE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR. THE WINE IS A DEEP PURPLE COLOR WITH A RED/BLUE HUE. AROMATICS OF CHERRY, PLUM, BLACK RASPBERRY AND ROSE LEAD TO SUCCULENT FLAVORS OF LUSH, FORWARD, BLACK CHERRY FRUIT SUPPORTED BY GOOD STRUCTURE AND A BEAUTIFUL, LONG, SILKY FINISH. ALCOHOL 14.7%

192 CASES PRODUCED