

# PAUL HOBBS

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## 2009 PINOT NOIR LINDSAY ESTATE VINEYARD RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

### VINEYARD

- Owner/Mgr: Paul Hobbs Winery
- Appellation: Russian River Valley
- Clonal Selections: Calera, Swan
- Vine Age: Planted in 2000
- Site: Goldridge yellow, sandy clay loam, red clay and coarse, gravelly, loam soils; multiple exposures
- Yield: 1.9 tons/acre

### HARVEST

- Harvest Dates: September 16 to 18
- Harvest Brix: 25.2°
- Growing Season: 2009 began with an abundance of spring rain followed by mild, steady summer temperatures that set the stage for nearly ideal pinot noir and chardonnay growing conditions. The well-set fruit ripened slowly allowing for an excellent balance of sugars and acids to develop. The resulting wines can be characterized as elegant and rich with profound depth and structure.

### WINEMAKING

- Hand-harvested grapes
- Fermented in small, open-top stainless steel fermentors with indigenous yeasts
- 5-day cold soak, 16 days total maceration
- Hand-punched cap
- Native malolactic fermentation in barrels
- Aged 15 months in François Frères and Remond French oak barrels; 67% new
- Unblended, unfinned and unfiltered; bottled January 2011

### NOTES

- Deep ruby in color, it is perfumed with violets, bright Bing cherry and clean earth. The palate is firmly structured, opening with perfectly ripened raspberry and red fruits that yield to undertones of forest floor and orange pekoe. Firm, youthful tannins are joined by notes of clove and white pepper to create a lasting finish. Alcohol 14.4%