

PAUL HOBBS

2011 PINOT NOIR, CUVÉE AGUSTINA KATHERINE LINDSAY ESTATE RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

VINEYARD

- Owner/Mgr: Paul Hobbs Winery
- Appellation: Russian River Valley
- Clonal Selections: Calera, Swan
- Planted: 2000
- Site: Multiple exposures; Goldridge sandy clay loam, red clay and coarse, gravelly soils
- Yields: 1.6 tons /acre

HARVEST

- Harvest Dates: October 2
- Harvest Brix: 25.3°
- Growing Season: 2011 began with a rainy winter and spring across Sonoma and Napa Counties. Summer was cooler than average but as harvest approached temperatures rose. Our pinot noir ripened fully and evenly, allowing sugars and acid to develop in balance. The wines from 2011 are bright, expressive and faceted.

WINEMAKING

- Hand-harvested grapes
- Fermented in small, open-top stainless steel fermentors with indigenous yeasts
- 5-day cold soak, 17 days total maceration
- Hand-punched cap
- Spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrels
- Aged 15 months in French oak barrels; 69% new
- Unfined and unfiltered; bottled January 2013

NOTES

- Named for Paul's daughter, Cuvée Agustina yields an unparalleled expression from block A9 in the southeast corner of our Katherine Lindsay Estate and is produced only in vintages that warrant the special designation. The blend is crafted to showcase texture, concentration and structure. Deep ruby red in color, the opulent wine offers intense depth of flavor on the palate, opening with layers of pure red fruits, rose petal and milk cocoa, along with nuances of fresh earth. Lush, silky tannins complement a long finish, which is highlighted with floral notes and subtle minerality. Alcohol 14.4%