

PAUL HOBBS

2012 PINOT NOIR KATHERINE LINDSAY ESTATE RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

VINEYARD

- Owner: Paul Hobbs Winery
- Clonal Selection: Calera, Swan
- Rootstock: 420a, 101-14
- Plant Date: 2000
- Soils: Goldridge sandy clay loam, red clay, and coarse, gravelly soils
- Exposure: Varied
- Trellis: Bilateral cordon
- Yield: 4.2 tons/acre

GROWING SEASON

- Summary: The 2012 growing season has been described by many as “textbook perfect”. Temperate summer days moderated plant growth, contributing to smaller cluster and berry size during lag phase, leading to increased concentration of flavors. An idyllic Indian summer finished the maturation process, producing fruit with exceptional character and intensity.
- Harvest Date: October 1st & October 4th
- Harvest Brix: 24.1°

WINEMAKING

- Hand harvested at night
- Hand sorted, cold; 4% whole cluster inclusion
- 5 day cold soak, 17 days total maceration
- Fermented with indigenous yeasts in small, open-top, stainless steel tanks
- Spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrel
- Aged 15 months in French oak barrels, 64% new
- Coopers: Cadus, Damy, Louis Latour, Francois Frères, Marques
- Unfined and unfiltered; bottled January 2014

NOTES

- Ruby-red hued and aromatic with notes of boysenberry pie, milk cocoa and mineral, this terroir driven wine showcases the iron-rich “Sebastopol Series” Goldridge soils of our Katherine Lindsay Estate Vineyard. Striking in its complexity and concentration, flavors of cranberry, cola, and clove unfold gracefully over the palate. Fine tannins and youthful acidity frame berry notes that persist through the long finish. Alcohol 14.1%