

# PAUL HOBBS

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## 2014 PINOT NOIR KATHERINE LINDSAY ESTATE RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

### VINEYARD

- Owner: Paul Hobbs Winery
- Clonal Selection: Calera, Swan, Beba, 777
- Rootstock: 420a, 101-14
- Plant Date: 2000
- Soils: Goldridge sandy clay loam, red clay, and coarse, gravelly soils
- Exposure: Varied
- Trellis: Bilateral cordon, cane
- Yield: 3.7 tons/acre

### GROWING SEASON

- Summary: 2014 was the third straight outstanding growing season in a row, following the excellent 2012 and 2013 vintages. Dry winter and spring conditions limited canopy vigor, and a warm growing season with a lack of extreme heat spikes resulted in prolonged, even ripening through harvest. The resulting wines possess great site specificity, depth and quality.
- Harvest Date: September 15<sup>th</sup> & September 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Harvest Brix: 24.9°

### WINEMAKING

- Hand-harvested, picked at night
- Hand-sorted, cold; 5% whole cluster inclusion
- 5 day cold soak, 16 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, 71% new
- Coopers: Cadus, Damy, Louis Latour, Francois Frères, and Remond
- Unfined and unfiltered; bottled January 2016

### NOTES

- Grown in the iron-rich “Sebastopol Series” Goldridge soils of our Katherine Lindsay Estate Vineyard, this deep ruby pinot noir opens with an expressive bouquet of exotic spices, caramelized tobacco leaf, forest floor and ripe wild berries. Rich but restrained, the wine’s generosity of fruit is cut by balancing acidity, preserving the freshness so characteristic of this site. Aged 15 months in French oak barrels, 71% new.