

Harrington 2006 Pinot Noir

Brosseau Vineyards - Chalone, Monterey



WINERY

Starting in the early 1990's Bryan Harrington assisted winemakers in order to support his profession as an artist. In 2002, he decided that wine is an art and he purchased a winery and began making Pinot Noir with fruit from unique California vineyards. The Harrington Winery is in Berkeley and has been the home of several startup wineries in the past.

VINEYARD:

A well-known vineyard in the Chalone appellation of Monterey County, the Brosseau Vineyard is located within a mile of the Pinnacles National Monument. The site is notable for limestone strata pushed up from a million-year-old seabed by the nearby volcano. Limestone is also a major soil component in the greatest vineyards of Burgundy.

DESCRIPTION:

On the nose, notes of cedar, green tea, dried herbs and red berries are evident. The wine opens with opulence, flavors of grenadine, peach pie, cinnamon, and chocolate. The finish reveals a glimpse of the greatness in store for this clone in these soils with complex flavors of buttered toast, gingerbread and a chalky earthiness.

PRODUCTION:

201 cases - 750 ml

FRUIT:

Brosseau Vineyards, Clone 538, harvested on September 19, 2006 at 25.3 brix

COOPERAGE

10 months in F. Freres, Billon, Mercurey, Remond, Rousseau, DJ barrels

ANALYSIS

14.8% alcohol by volume; pH 3.6, TA 0.60gm/100ml

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