

RiverBench Vineyards

2007 Estate Pinot Noir



RIVERBENCH

WINERY:

Riverbench vineyard was established in 1973, when its first chardonnay and pinot noir grapes were planted on the property. For years since then, some of the most renowned wineries in Santa Barbara County have purchased their fruit for their own wines. Over time Riverbench has become a prominent name for high quality chardonnay and pinot noir in the Santa Maria Valley.

In 2004, a group of local families purchased the property. Wine drinkers themselves, the owners quickly became enamored with the wine industry and decided to start producing their own wine label using small quantities of their exceptional fruit.

Riverbench Winery was born. Chuck Ortman is their consulting winemaker.

Riverbench promotes environmentally and economically sustainable vineyard practices.

Riverbench is SIP Sustainably Certified

DESCRIPTION:

The vivid burgundy color is slightly darker than 2006, thanks to an almost textbook perfect harvest in 2007. The wine is commanding and ripe but not over extracted. Sumptuous favors of strawberries and cherries coat the tongue, but the finish still holds our signature smoke and clove; it perfectly complements grilled cornmeal crusted quail or roasted chicken-Julia style!

COOPERAGE:

Aged in 35% new French oak for 10 months

ANALYSIS:

Alcohol: 15.48% by volume, pH: 3.84, TA: 7.55 g/L

BOTTLED:

September 2006

PRODUCTION:

1,153 cases - 750 ml

RELEASE DATE:

November 2009

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