



At Lattanzio Wines we believe great wine is made in the vineyard. We take great care in selecting the vineyards we work with and we work closely with the growers to obtain the best fruit possible each year. In the winery, it is our job to take this great fruit and treat it gently and with careful consideration each step of the way through fermentation, aging and bottling. The idea is simply to coax the aromas and flavors of the wine into the bottle.

2012 Pinot Noir W.E. Bottoms Vineyard

Sonoma Coast



Notes:

Our oldest source for Pinot Noir fruit is the W.E. Bottoms Vineyard. This very small, 3 acre vineyard is located near the quaint town of Occidental in one of the cooler parts of the appellation. The ocean breezes and persistent marine layer keep the area cool and the vines happy. The vineyard is unique because it is planted at a 4 x 4 density to four different Dijon clones. Most vineyards today are planted at 5' x 8'. Higher density planting keeps the vines in balance (not too vigorous, not too stressed) and the different clones add to the complexity of the finished wines. Finally, we must not underestimate the importance of soil. The Goldridge fine sandy loam found at the vineyard site is very well drained. This keeps vine vigor down and concentrates flavors in the grapes.

Winemakers Notes:

Dark ruby red. Cranberry, raspberry, anise and underbrush are just some of the aromas that emerge with swirling. There is a hint of cinnamon too. The mouthfeel is very lively and bright with a mix of raspberries, tart blueberries and pomegranate with subtle earthy/soil undertones. There is a mouthwatering dusting of tannins and bitter cherry skin persistent on the finish.

Varietal:	100% Pinot Noir
Yield:	2 tons per acre
Brix:	23.4 brix
Harvest Date:	September 23rd, 2012
Alcohol:	13.7%
Elevage:	Aged 10 months in 100% French oak barriques (33% new)
Production	100 cases

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