



2009 Willowbrook
PINOT NOIR – Chileno Valley Vineyard
Marin County
(JCO Limited)

APPELLATION

Marin County

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Pinot Noir

AGING

French and Polish Oak

RS

0.09 g/L

ALCOHOL

14.2%

BOTTLED

March 2011

RELEASE DATE

January 2012

PRODUCTION

134 cases

BOTTLE S I Z E

750 ml

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vineyard is located in the northernmost part of Marin, an area noted for late, lingering fog and intense, cool winds coming in from Point Reyes. Yields are always quite low in the region and this particular vineyard has never seen a harvest that produced more than two tons per acre. With these challenging growing conditions it is vital that a vineyard manager knows what to expect from Mother Nature, and how to best grow grapes here. We feel very fortunate to have Mark Pasternak of Devil's Gulch Vineyard managing this vineyard.



This Pinot Noir spent a total of seventeen months in small French and Polish oak barrels and was bottled in March 2011. The resulting wine has a flavor profile reminiscent of an Oregon pinot noir, with intense aromas of fresh mushrooms, spiced rum, and hints of pomegranate. The texture is rich and its flavors offer notes of dark red fruits around a core of raspberries and a long plummy finish.

Willowbrook Cellars is proud to introduce its third Marin County Pinot Noir. Since there are just 200 acres planted in Marin (compared to a total of more than 105,000 acres of vineyards in Napa and Sonoma), we feel privileged to be among the few to source grapes from this up-and-coming wine region.

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