



Labyrinth Santa Barbara County Pinot Noir 2007

The SBC Pinot Noir 2007 introduces my entry level Pinot Noir for everyday drinking and enjoyment. The Martin Ray (clone) field selection gives a fullness of Pinot expression and the emphasis is to highlight the fruit by aging in a mix of 3,4 and 5 year French oak barrels. No overt ,excessive tannins here, just Pinot speaking Pinot.

The Vineyard

Sourced from vines planted on the Cambria Property in the Santa Maria Valley

Vintage

The 2007 vintage is promising to be the best this decade . Comparable to the 2005s. For Labyrinth Pinots, the numbers don't vary greatly but the levels of concentration and colour were significant.

Harvest

Block B6..30 August 2007
Brix..24.5 pH 3.45 TA9.2g/l
Yield..2.6 t/acre

Fermentation

100% destemmed
5 day cold soak
Pure yeast inoculation (RC212)
7 day post soak

Cooperage & bottling

11 months on lees
Ablend of 3,4 and 5 year french oak
bottled 08 August 2008
production..240 cases