BARNETT VINEYARDS Spring Mountain District NAPA VALLEY

Pinot Noir Tina Marie Vineyard Russian River Valley 2013

Harvest Dates: September 4th and 9th, 2013 Grape Source: 100% Tina Marie Vineyard

Green Valley AVA of the Russian River Valley

Clonal Blend: 43% 115, 29% 777, and 28% 667

Aging: 10 months in French Oak Barrels

50% new and 50% once used

Alcohol: 13.5%
Yeast: RC212
Production: 29 Barrels

Release Date: September 2014

Winemaker: David Tate

Vineyard Notes: The fruit for this Pinot is sourced from three different blocks from within the Tina Marie Vineyard of Green Valley within the Russian River Valley. The distinctive gold-ridge soil and coastal influence make it ideal for Pinot Noir. In a hot year such as 2013 we were helped by the fog in the morning, but the afternoon temperatures greatly accelerated ripening. As per usual the 667 and 777 clones ripened at the same time, with the 115 clone coming in five days later.

Winemaker Notes: All three clones were individually cold soaked for 5 to 6 days in small open top fermenters. All lots were inoculated with a burgundian yeast strain. Gentle restricted pump overs occurred for an average of 8-10 days. The wine was allowed to sit on its lees for 3 months in barrel and closely monitored for any changes in flavor profile, allowing for more layered complexity in flavor.

Tasting Notes:

Med purple with a ruby core, the 2013 Tina Marie is dark and intense. The aromatics are filled with black plum and cinnamon cake. In addition the nose offers concentrated pomegranate and blueberry. The palate is silky and lush, with black raspberry, licorice and dusty cocoa. The tannins are present but not overbearing and the natural acidity of the wine offers a crisp finish. This is a sizeable Pinot in its youth. It will age and produce more complexity over the next 7-8 years (2021-2022).