

# 2013 Heather's Hill Pinot Noir

## TASTING NOTES

The 2013 Heather's Hill Pinot Noir shows aromas of a deep back cherry and clean ripe pluot, accented by bay leaf, oregano, and vanilla bean. On the palate, flavors of bright red raspberry and classic Pommard Clone fruit are supported by substantial acidity and a silky mouth-feel.

VARIETY	100% Pinot Noir
CLONES	667 / 828 / Calera / Pommard / Swan
BARREL AGING	20% New French Oak, 9 months
APPELLATION	Carmel Valley AVA
HARVEST DATE	September 5-21, 2013
ALC/VOL	14.1%
PRODUCTION	471 Cases

## THE VINTAGE

The 2013 vintage was characterized by a sizeable yield. Even with pruning for a modest crop, the vineyard set a prolific number of clusters. A warm, even dry spring gave the vines perfect conditions to produce well-formed berries and even clusters. Timing of harvest was spot-on, in comparison with previous years with the bulk of the fruit coming in during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> week of September. The 2013 wines are bright, clear expressions of Carmel Valley terroir.

## THE VINEYARD

We make a range of wines which demonstrate the unique characteristics of our soil and climate. We take great care from the beginning to the end of production. Our rootstocks and California / Dijon clones are carefully selected. We employ organic and sustainable farming practices, avoiding any pesticides or herbicides. Ultimately, Holman Ranch wines reflect a balance and a complexity, which set them apart.

