

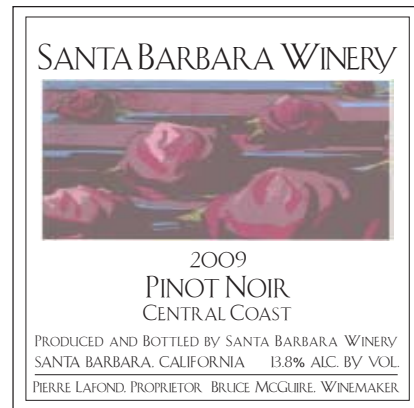
SANTA BARBARA WINERY

2009 PINOT NOIR CENTRAL COAST

2009 marks the tenth vintage of our "color label" Pinot Noir. Winemaker Bruce McGuire has secured select vineyard lots at Scheid Vineyards up in Monterey County just for this bottling. 2009 brought one of the best crops of the decade for this bottling.

Bruce has toured this section of vineyard and was pleased with the viticulture as well as the three Pinot Noir clones available: Pommard, Clone 115, and Clone 23. This vintage is made up of one third part each of these clones. Clone 23 brings a subtle earthiness to the flavor palate, adding additional depth and structure. Berry flavors, smooth mouthfeel, and a firm acidity fill out the wine and enhance its enviable versatility.

Capitalizing on forward fruit and mid-weight structure, Bruce used older barrels for aging, thus preserving the bright and perfumed fruit character of the finished wine. This particular blend of Pinot Noir clones makes a food friendly wine suitable for pairing with roast chicken, open fire grilled fish, and a wide variety of pasta dishes.



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Dates: September 17, 2009

Vineyard: 100% Scheid Vineyard
Monterey County

Sugar: 24.3° Brix

Bottling Date: June 8-10, 2010

Production: 4,194 cases

WINE

Barrels: Neutral Puncheons

Total Acid: .67

pH: 3.57

Alcohol: 13.8%

Sugg. Retail Price: \$17.00

