



Fourth Estate Wines
2013 Pinot Noir
La Cruz Vineyard
Sonoma Coast

From this acclaimed vineyard, managed by Keller Estate, comes a Pinot Noir with both power and finesse. Dark fruit pairs with floral notes and balanced tannins, making this a wine that is appealing now but also built to last.

Vintage characteristics: 2013 follows up the strong 2012 vintage with equally good growing conditions, featuring cool evenings and consistently warm days. The grapes from the hillside La Cruz site ripened evenly, without moisture or heat spikes near harvest.

Clones: 50% La Tache, 50% Swan.

Average Brix at Harvest: 25.2

Fermentation regime: 100% punch-down fermentation in one-ton lots. Five-day cold soak, 11-day fermentation, extended maceration.

Barrel Regime: Barrel aged for 11 months in 100% French oak, 40% of which was new (Boutes and Dargaud & Jaegle, both medium-plus toast.)

Total production: 110 cases

Alcohol: 14.2%

Release date: April 2015

Winemaker notes: The La Tache and Swan clones produce rich fruit and floral notes underpinned by the minerality and structure of the La Cruz terroir. The vineyard site is sustainably farmed, which is a priority for us.