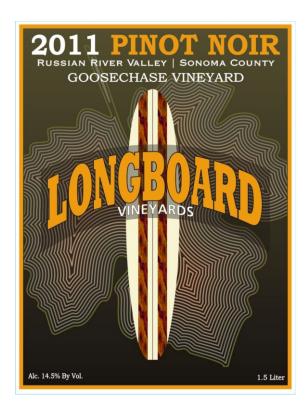


## 2011 PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLE - GOOSECHASE VINEYARD

This block of the Goosechase Vineyard sits on the west side of the R bar N ranch south of Healdsburg. Two clones of Pinot Noir (777 and 115) are planted on an east-facing hillside with rocky soils.. The ragged soil and windy location work in tandem to restrict yield and concentrate flavors from this four-acre vineyard named after the owner's hunting companion, a Chocolate Labrador named 'Goose'.

Once picked, we process the grapes in a minimalistic way, since we believe in letting the fruit express itself rather than manipulate it too much. Grapes are harvested either at night or at first light and delivered cool to the winery where they are destemmed only (not crushed) and allowed to cold soak for three days before fermentation starts.

Most of the wine from this vineyard goes to our Russian River Valley Pinot Noir bottling. This vintage marks the first year we have bottled two barrels of this wine seperately from the RRV blend. This wine shines with a lot of bright cherry notes, it will gracefully age over the next few years and gain depth and complexity. Go hunt some wild mushrooms and dream up a dish to complement it.



Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Source: 100% Goosechase Vineyard

Harvested: September 22 & 23rd, 2011

Ageing: 100% French Oak

Bottling: 230 Magnums

Pricing: \$150.00 per Magnum