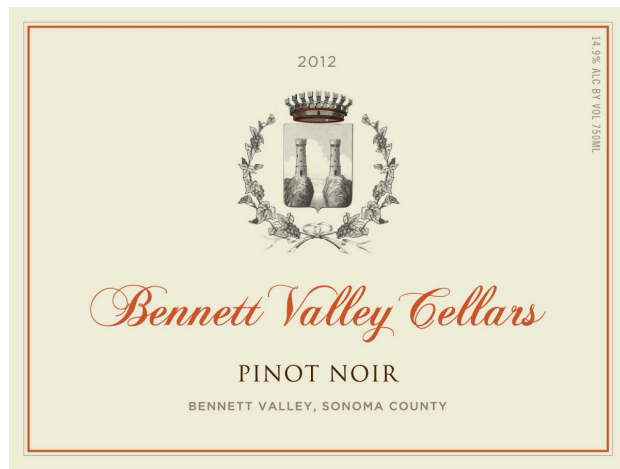




Bennett Valley Cellars

2012 Estate Pinot Noir

Bennett Valley, Sonoma County



Nestled in the pristine Bennett Valley appellation in Sonoma County, Bennett Valley Cellars farms 40 acres of estate Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Our well-drained alluvial (volcanic) soils and fog-cooled climate create an ideal growing environment for producing world-class wines. The result is wine with flavors and aromatic characteristics unique to this beautiful valley.

The 2012 Estate Pinot Noir is a blend of three Dijon clones; 828, 115, and 2A which make up 57% of the blend and provide the wine's structure. Our Pommard clone represents the remaining 43% of the blend and provides the fruit "fleshiness" in the wine.

The 2012 Estate Pinot Noir provides ample aromas of cherry, rose petal, white truffle and fresh spices. On the palate, bright fruit flavors marry with subtle hints of candied cherry, fresh cardamom, truffles, and lavender. The wine presents moderate alcohol with a superb acid balance and a long, fruit-filled finish.

The wine was aged in 44% new French oak and 56% older neutral barrels for 16 months to soften the youthful tannins and provide hints of toast on the palate.

Alcohol by Volume: 14.9%

pH: 3.60

Total Acidity: 6.3 g/L

Cases Produced: 542