

# Mahoney

VINEYARDS

CARNEROS

## 2013 Mahoney Vineyards Mahoney Ranch Pinot Noir

### 2013 Vintage Highlights

The 2013 Mahoney Ranch Pinot Noir benefitted from the very dry, mild winter that gave way to a similarly dry spring. This allowed the vines to set an ideal crop load. The mild summer allowed the vines to evenly ripen their fruit, and the early cluster set translated into a harvest that began midway through September. The fruit came off the vines in ideal condition with flavors, sugars, and acids in perfect balance.

### Wine Description

There are generally two styles of Pinot that come from Carneros: fresh and fruit-forward or dense and structured. The sloping hillside of the Mahoney Ranch vineyard, along with the shy-bearing Pinot clones we have planted along its southwest face, yield wines that definitely fit into the dense and structured style. Grown in the vineyard on Dealy Lane that has produced some of our most celebrated wines over the last 30 years, this wine offers lovely black cherry notes with a pervasive fusion of perfume, black pepper and allspice in the nose, the wine has ample tannins, well-integrated oak and a lush, rich texture.

**Blend:** 100% Pinot Noir grown at the Mahoney Ranch vineyard in the Carneros Appellation of Napa

#### Fruit at Harvest:

Picking Dates:	Sept. 16 - Oct. 4, 2013
Brix (average):	26.45 <sup>o</sup>
T.A.:	6.71 g/L
pH:	3.57

**Fermented at:** 80 - 90 °F

**Cellar Aging:** 18 months in 60 gal.  
French oak barrels

#### Finished Wine:

Alcohol:	14.5%
T.A.	0.57 g/L
pH:	3.66

