



2007 Brassfield Estate
PINOT NOIR
High Serenity Ranch Vineyard
High Valley Appellation

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Our 2007 Estate Bottled Pinot Noir represents a blend of two vineyards; our younger Block #9 vineyard and our "Founder's Block" #1. Block 1 Pinot Noir was planted in 2001 to 3.5 acres of clones 667 and 115 on well-drained gravelly loamy soils, and Block 9 Pinot Noir was planted in 2004 with 19 acres devoted to Dijon clones 667, 777, 115, and Pommard #4. The Block 9 site was strategically chosen for Pinot Noir as it is the coldest site on the High Serenity Ranch, and for the gravelly, alluvial soils that fan out of this canyon. A low gap in the ridge above the vineyard allows cooled lake air from Clear Lake to spill into High Valley through this passage, thereby slowing down the ripening process producing wines with better color extraction and better acid retention.

The individual clones were harvested separately at the peak of ripeness, destemmed with a large percentage of whole berries, cold soaked for 3 days at 50 degrees Fahrenheit, and fermented in small lots with Burgundian yeast strains. The wines were pressed off the skins at dryness without extensive maceration to minimize harsher tannin extraction and aged in 30% new French oak barrels for 16 months.

A toasty greeting of fresh roasted coffee, dark cherry fruit, and rose petal are intertwined in a Pommard-like style, which is followed by a generous dark cherry lactic mouth feel along with components of savory, tea, toffee and coffee mocha.



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TECHNICAL DATA

Winemaker:	Kevin Robinson
Appellation:	High Valley
Vineyard:	High Serenity Ranch
Titratable Acidity:	0.62 g/100ml
pH:	3.77
Brix at Harvest:	26.0
Alcohol:	14.3.% by volume
Oak Aging:	16 months new French Oak