

FLOWERS

Vineyard & Winery

2006 *Grand Bouquet* – PINOT NOIR

TASTING NOTES: Cherry, plum, and cassis dominate the aroma and flavor of this True Sonoma Coast wine. Notes of crushed stone, earth, orange peel, and flint follow. The Pommard selection provides an elegant & rich mouth feel with fine tannins and lingering finish. Drink now or cellar for 2-3 years.

WINE FACTS:

Vineyards: This Sonoma Coast gem is a small blend from our distinctive and spectacular vineyard sources located along the extreme coastline of our appellation. The wine is a barrel selection of Pommard and Dijon 115 clones, from the far Coast.

- **Harvest:** Sept. 19, 2006
- **Winemaking:** Fruit was rigorously hand sorted and fully destemmed with no crushing. Moderate cold soaks (4-5 days), warm fermentations (85-90° F), and minimal punchdowns (twice a day or less) were done this year in order to adapt to what nature gave us. Total skin contact ranged from 16-20 days with all fermentations being carefully basket pressed and put to barrel on full fermentation lees for ML. Racking was minimal with only one *assemblage* being done in the spring to allow the blend to “marry” in barrel for a few months before bottling. Mostly native yeast and ML with only small lots conducted using cultured burgundy isolates.
- **Cooperage and Aging:** 100% French oak; 40% new.
Total time in barrel = 15 months.
- **Bottling:** February 2008
- **Final bottling technical information:**
 - pH: 3.42
 - TA: 0.55 g/100 ml
 - Alcohol: 14.1 %
- **Release date:** Spring 2008