

## 2006 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir

This mouthwatering Russian River Pinot Noir is an affordable luxury. Treat yourself! Indulge your passion for Pinot.

The labels for our Russian River Valley Pinot are made from tree-free stock and have been printed using eco-friendly inks. We have also discontinued the use of foil on this label to minimize the environmental impact. The fruit sources are our organically farmed Olivet Grange Vineyard and the Klopp's sustainably farmed Thorn Ridge Ranch.

### Tasting Notes

**Aroma:** Sweet cherry, white chocolate, strawberry, fresh ginger and nutmeg.

**Flavor:** Sweet cherry, strawberry, and vanilla. Secondary flavors include roasted meat and savory herbs, dried cranberries, caramel and baking spices - cloves, nutmeg and ginger. The texture is voluptuous and fills your mouth while the acid perks up the taste buds and give the wine a "salivacious" quality. The finish is long and complex.

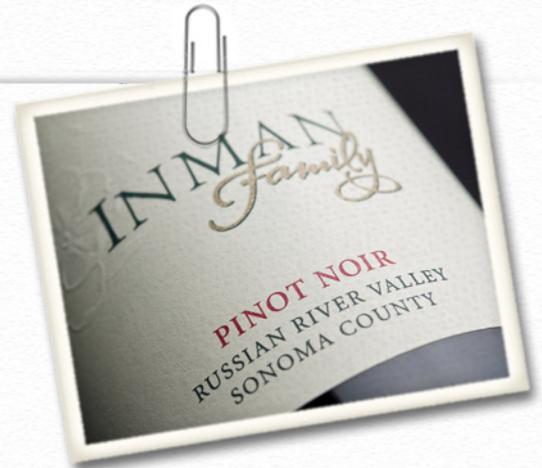
### Vineyard Notes

58% Olivet Grange Vineyard and 42% Thorn Ridge Ranch

### Winemaker Notes

Harvest went very smoothly, for the most part, in 2006. Although many vineyards were badly affected by botrytis, our estate vineyard, Olivet Grange (clones 114, 115, 667 and 777) had very little rot and what little there was, was removed when the grapes were still on the vine. Vintage 2006 was the first time we had purchased fruit from our friend Ted Klopp's Thorn Ridge Ranch which is in the Sebastopol Hills. This hillside vineyard is planted to several different clones and we are allocated Pommard, Swan, 667 and 777 from both the upper and lower ranches on this steep, eastern facing vineyard.

The must cold soaked for 4 days and was fermented in 5 ton stainless steel open-top fermenters. A regime of three punch downs daily was followed, and when the wine was dry, it was settled overnight and raked to barrel. This blend was created from a barrel selection from both vineyards, but has as its core a lot which was picked especially for the blend – one that is not any either of the single vineyard selections.



### Wine Specs

**Vintage** 2006

**Varietal** Pinot Noir

**Harvest Date** Various

**Acid** 0.51

**PH** 3.72

**Bottling Date** August 2007

**Alcohol %** 14.1