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2013 Nichole's Blend Pinot Noir | Sonoma County

The fruit for the 2012 Nichole's Blend Pinot Noir comes from the DeVoto Vineyards as well as declassified barrels our Vineyard Designated wines. From as far south as the Petaluma Gap, where the cold maritime breezes help to produce wines of excellent purity and elegance; to the East on top of Sonoma Mountain, with its volcanic soils which produces wines with structure and savoriness; to the far western edge of the Russian River Valley, which produces wines with richness and ripe dark fruit flavors. The resulting wine is an excellent example of the harmony between these distinctive regions within Sonoma County.

Bright ruby in color, aromas of citrus pith, ripe raspberry, black cherry, toasted oats, sandalwood and crushed dried herbs mingle in the glass. Sappy fruit flavors with lively acidity and a hint of minerality coalesce in a sultry finish. This youthful, energetic wine is immensely gratifying now and should become even more so with time. Drink now, or over the next 5 to 7 years.

> Oak: 100% French; 25% new, 25% once used and 50% older Vineyards: DeVoto, Terra de Promissio, Umino, Alder Springs Harvest Dates: September 14-30, 2013 Bottled: August 11, 2014 Alc: 14.3%

> > 575 Cases produced | Released April 1, 2015

90 points | Pinotfile

Sourced from DeVoto, Terra de Promissio, Umino and Alder Springs vineyards. Aged in 100% French oak barrels, 30% new, 30% once-used, and 40% older. Moderate reddish purple color in the glass. Very fragrant aromas of black cherry, black raspberry, Asian 5-spice and a hint of peppercorn which build in intensity over time in the glass. Smooth and harmonious in the mouth, with flavors of dark red cherry and berry fruits. Very forward drinking, with minimal dry tannins and good intensity on the finish. This is the most approachable and easy drinking wine in the 2013 Spell lineup. Reviewed June 14, 2015