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"THE WINDS OF SONOMA LENT US OUR NAME. BE IT A STEADY BREEZE OR A FIRM GUST, AN ANABATIC WIND IS ONE THAT BLOWS UP THE HILLS OF A VINEYARD DURING CALM AND SUNNY WEATHER."

—JOHN SWEAZEY, PROPRIETOR

2012 PINOT NOIR, SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS SOBERANES VINEYARD

VINEYARD NOTES

The Soberanes Vineyard, located in the heart of the Santa Lucia Highlands, builds upon a tradition of high quality growing practices. Working together again, the Pisoni and Franscioni families, whose friendship spans three generations and are known for the Pisoni, Garys', Rosella's and Sierra Mar Vineyards, have added Soberanes Vineyard to their portfolio. Pinot Noir is often referred to as the Holy Grail of wines and one of the most challenging grapes to grow. A perfect fit for the cold pockets of California's coastline, the variety produces beautiful wines in the Santa Lucia Highlands. The Salinas Valley fog and wind allow for slow ripening — a requirement for producing intense, yet elegant Pinot Noir.

TASTING NOTES

The Soberanes Vineyard delivers wines with intense aromas. The bouquet on the 2012 is packed with violet, wild blackberry, cola and star anise. Rich on the palate, this deep, ruby wine is lush with flavors of ripe black cherry, black plum, cardamom and hints of nutmeg. The finish is long and lingering with a luscious mouthfeel.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir

Appellation: Santa Lucia Highlands

Vineyard: Soberanes

Clone: Pisoni

Harvest: 10/4

Brix: 24.1

TA: 5.2

pH: 3.45

Alcohol: 14.5

Method: De-stemmed, 12% whole cluster, cold soaked for 4-6 days in stainless before going through native fermentation. Basket pressed when dry.

Aging: 11 months sur lees in French oak barrels, 40% of which were new.

Cases produced: 213

Retail: \$46 / bottle

