



ROBERT MONDAVI WINERY

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*Varietal composition:*

100% Pinot Noir

*Winemaker's notes:*

Ruby red in color, this wine has aromas and flavors of wild plum, black cherry and blueberries. Layers of sweet fruit mingle with a savory spiciness on the mid-palate and a hint of minerality for additional complexity. Beautifully balanced with fresh, velvety tannins, the wine culminates with a persistent finish. A Pinot Noir with great verve and vivacity—ripe, concentrated and seamlessly mouthfilling.

*Wine analysis:*

Total acid: 0.66%  
Final pH: 3.41  
Residual sugar: 0.83% (dry)  
Alcohol: 15.4 by volume

• V I N T A G E •

The 2007 vintage was an excellent one for Pinot Noir. Responding to a cold, dry winter and scant spring rains (rainfall in northern California was 40%–50% lower than average in 2007), vine vigor was minimized from the outset and the vines didn't produce too much foliage. Spring temperatures were warm, and the growing season started out fast with early bloom and fruit set. Then the weather cooled and mild temperatures prevailed throughout summer and into August. Enjoying ideal conditions of sunny days and foggy evenings, the grapes ripened slowly and evenly. We began picking fruit for this Pinot Noir on September 6 and finished September 11. Because of the cold, dry winter, 2007 crop levels were slightly lower than usual, but thanks to the mild summer weather, quality was consistently excellent.

*Grapes: (average) 26.4° Brix with 0.70% initial acid and 3.35 pH*

• V I N E Y A R D S •

*Appellation:*

Los Carneros AVA, Napa Valley

*Grape Sourcing:*

100% Los Carneros AVA

85% from Rancho Carneros Vineyard, planted in 1971; 16% from Hyde Vineyard, planted in 1979

• W I N E M A K I N G •

Hand-harvested in cool morning hours

Destemmed grapes fermented in traditional open-top fermenters with selected Burgundian yeast strains

24 days skin contact (maceration)

100% malolactic fermentation in barrel

Aged 12 months in 100% new French oak barrels

931 cases produced

SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE AT RELEASE: \$45.00