



SIDURI WINES

2005 Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir

By focusing solely on Pinot Noir from the most prestigious vineyard sites in California and Oregon, and by vinifying each barrel separately by lot, clone, yeast and cooper, we champion individuality of place and intensity of flavor in each wine we produce

Production & Technical Data

Release Date: January 2007

Production:
768 cases

Winemakers' Comments

Our 2004 Garys' Pinot received outstanding press as it was named one of the Top 100 Wines of the Year by the Wine Spectator. The 2005 Siduri Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir builds on this success and is, in our opinion, a more complex and complete wine than its predecessor. The unique 2005 growing season provided us with an opportunity to make a better wine by giving us a long hang time, completely ripe fruit, and more moderate sugar levels. Then, thru a fortunate twist of fate, we were able to receive a bit of additional fruit from the vineyard. We treated this fruit as an "unexpected bonus" and felt a unique freedom to experiment with it. Thus we carefully sorted this extra fruit, placed the whole clusters (stems and all) in a tank, and jumped up and down on them, "I Love Lucy" style (sure, there is a fancy French winemaking word for the technique, "pigeage," but the I Love Lucy reference fits us better). With both the new fruit and our traditional sections we utilized some indigenous yeasts but also fermented some of the lots with Barolo yeast, some with Grenache yeast, some with RC212 yeast, and some with William-Selyem yeast. We also utilized a wide variety of barrel types on this wine and, by pressing the wine directly to barrel, each barrel ended up being its own separate lot. This type of deconstructionist winemaking has become standard practice for us as we then taste through every barrel and re-combine them in the form that we believe best represents the vineyard. In the case of the 2005 Garys' Vineyard Pinot, 32 out of 41 barrels made it into the final blend.

The 2005 Siduri Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir has already been the recipient of some wonderful press. Wine writer Robert Parker rated it "**91-93 points**" and described it this way, "dense and rich with underbrush and dark fruit characteristics as well as additional body and muscle, the 2005 Siduri Pinot Noir Garys' Vineyard boasts fragrant aromatics and long, heady flavors. Enjoy it over the next 5-7 years." Having recently tasted it alongside the 2004 Garys', we can only say that we think the 2005 has tightened up a tad in the last few months and really starts blossoming after being open for 4 hours. We love this wine and think it will make for "old bones" should you choose to cellar it, but if you want to enjoy it now give it a bit of breathing time and you will be amply rewarded.

**"To drink Siduri is to drink some of the best Pinot Noir made in America today."
- Matt Kramer, New California Wine**

**"One of My Favorite Wineries"
- Robert M. Parker, Jr.**