

KIVEL STADT CELLARS

2013 Sibling Rivalry – Estate Pinot Noir

AVA: Sonoma Valley

Case production: 49

Bottling date: July 2014

Winemaker's notes

In the second year of production after grafting over to Pinot from Syrah, the 3 acres of Pinot sit on the southeastern slope of the vineyard. The wine is styled to be light and bright with a core of intense red fruit and spice. Native yeasts ferment this wine in a T-bin, employing 20% whole clusters, It spends 10 months in once used French oak barrels and goes to bottle unfiltered.

Vineyard Source

Kivelstadt Vineyard – Pinot – Sonoma Valley (Santa Rosa) – Organically farmed, planted in 1997 on St George rootstock, the Pinot was grafted on after the 2011 harvest. Situated at the intersection of Sonoma Valley, Bennett Valley and Sonoma Mountain AVAs, Kivelstadt Vineyard is an ideal site with its cool climate designation and volcanic soils to grow elegant and structured Pinot Noir. In typical years the crop yields around 2.5 tons/acre, in 2013 it was only about .3 ton/acre due to the new graft.