

# NADEAU

*Family Vintners*

## **2015 Pinot Noir**

**Paso Robles**

### **The Winery**

Nadeau Family Vintners is the result of years of effort by Patrice and Robert Nadeau. Together they renovated a tiny barn in the mountains west of Paso Robles, transforming it into an efficient, well-equipped micro-winery. Old-world styled vineyards have been planted on the slopes surrounding the building...most of the planting is dedicated to dry-farmed, head-trained Zinfandel, with an acre or so devoted to Grenache Noir and Petite Sirah.

### **The Wine**

The Nadeau Family Vintners 2015 Pinot Noir was grown on a small, steeply sloped vineyard block west of Paso Robles in a cool site within the Dover Canyon watershed. The wine from these grapes is surprisingly dark and dense with a pleasant fruitiness and a slight earthiness which aficionados expect from high-quality Pinot Noir. Layers of fruit mingle with well-integrated oak, making this a wonderful wine to accompany cheeses and reasonably robust fare.

### **The Blend**

100% Pinot Noir

### **The Vital Statistics**

100% Paso Robles Appellation

100% 2015 Vintage

Harvest: August; Sugar @ Harvest: 25.2 Brix; TA: 0.61 gm./100mL; pH: 3.57

The grapes were fermented in small, open-top fermenters with commercial (proprietary) yeast for 9 days on their skins, then pressed in a small, horizontal basket-press. This wine was racked using a nitrogen blanket and/or gravity. Aged in one to three year-old French barrels for over 24 months until it was racked, filtered and bottled.

The 2015 Vintage yielded only *a few Barrels (less than 80 cases.)*

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