



2012 Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir

Owners:	Gary Pisoni & Gary Franscioni
Appellation:	Santa Lucia Highlands
Soil:	Sandy gravelly loam
Elevation:	300-400 ft.
Exposure:	Eastern/Southeastern
Vineyard:	20 of 98 acres, Pisoni
Planted:	1996
1st TRW Vintage:	1999
Alcohol:	14.2%
Acidity:	6.10 g/L / 3.47 pH
Cooperage:	100% French Oak 47% New Oak
Aging:	11 Months
Harvested:	October 15, 2012
Produced:	587 Cases

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WINEMAKER NOTES

Medium dark red color. Engaging nose of fruit and flowers in this refreshing Pinot Noir. Lemon, pomegranate, currant, and bing cherry are paired with hints of jasmine, orange blossoms, and violet. After some aeration, this wine continues to gain complexity with notes of cloves and custard. There is a distillation of citrus, pomegranate, and cherry characters. This elegant offering from Garys' Vineyard offers bright, focused qualities showing the mature age of the vines, while unraveling in the finish to be multi-dimensional and loaded with subtleties. Drink now through 2020.

~Bill Brosseau, Director of Winemaking

VINEYARD

Garys' Vineyard is arguably the most famous property in the Santa Lucia Highlands; Pinot Noir fruit from here is sought-after by many of the finest wineries in the world for their most limited releases. Garys' is a partnership between Gary Pisoni and Gary Franscioni, two of the Highlands' most dynamic growers. Originally planted in 1997, Garys' has forty-two acres of "Pisoni clone" Pinot Noir. The property's close proximity to Monterey Bay makes for a very cool climate, with one of California's longest growing seasons. The resulting slow, gentle ripening allows for full flavor development on the vine. Three acres of Pinot Noir at Garys' are allocated annually to Testarossa.

ACCOLADES

2012 Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir
94 Points *Connoisseur's Guide*

2011 Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir
93 Points *Wine Advocate*

2010 Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir
92 Points *Wine Enthusiast*

2009 Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir
94 Points *International Wine Review*

2008 Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir
91 Points *Wine Enthusiast*

WINERY

Testarossa (Italian for "red head") was the nickname given Rob Jensen as a young university student in Italy. Rob and Diana Jensen started Testarossa in their garage in 1993 with just twenty-five cases of wine. Today, the label has grown to national prominence among collectors by cultivating long-term partnerships with passionate growers and vineyards.



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