



2013 PINOT NOIR FOGSTONE VINEYARD

Santa Lucia Highlands Appellation



WINEMAKER NOTES

Deep rich red color. Scents of orange blossoms, cloves, nutmeg, pomegranate, papaya, and banana lead on the nose. As this Pinot Noir settles in the palate, the spice notes diffuse and the fruit tones amplify. There is an initial vibrant impact in the palate, yet the silky tannins ensue and add nice layers of sensation. Very hedonistic finish and will continue to please up through 2025.

~Bill Brosseau, Winemaker

VINEYARD

Fogstone Vineyard is owned by Bret Sisney and Gary Filizetti and is one of the northernmost estates in the Santa Lucia Highlands. It is on an east facing slope that rises from 200 feet to 500 feet as you go up the bench. Originally planted in 1993 through 1997, Fogstone has thirty-five acres of Pinot Noir, utilizing seven different clones. All thirty-five acres of Pinot Noir are designated for Testarossa, making it one of our few Monopole wines.

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. Fogstone is one of Testarossa's most innovative vineyard partners; Winemaker Bill Brosseau directly oversees all the farming and viticultural decisions for the acres that are designated for the winery. This is Testarossa's fourth vintage of Fogstone Pinot Noir.

ACCOLADES

2013 Fogstone Pinot Noir
91 Pts *Pinot Report*

2012 Fogstone Pinot Noir
90 Pts *Robert Parker*

2011 Fogstone Pinot Noir
91 Pts *The Wine Enthusiast*

2010 Fogstone Pinot Noir
92 Pts *Robert Parker*

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.



TESTAROSSA
WINERY

2013 Fogstone Vineyard Pinot Noir

Owners:	Bret Sisney and Gary Filizetti
Appellation:	Santa Lucia Highlands
Soil:	Rocky, well-draining loam soils
Elevation:	250-400 ft.
Exposure:	East
Vineyard:	35 of 35 acres, yield 3.5 tons, Dijon 113, 114, 113, 667, 777, Pommard 4, Jardini
Planted:	1993
1st TRW Vintage:	2010
Alcohol:	14.1%
Acidity:	6.41g/L / 3.48 pH
Cooperage:	100% French Oak 47% New Oak
Aging:	9.5 Months
Harvested:	October, 2013
Produced:	33 Barrels