



PATZ & HALL

2005 HYDE VINEYARD – CARNEROS PINOT NOIR

Vineyard Character: This vineyard exhibits classic Carneros flavors of strawberries and raspberries mingled with mocha, espresso and cinnamon. Our HYDE VINEYARD Carneros Pinot Noir consists of grapes from three small parcels planted to a veritable who's who of the finest Pinot clones available: Dijon 777, 667, 115, Swan, Pommard, Bebe and Hyde-Calera clones. The range and complexity of this wine is at once delicate, fascinatingly intricate and nuanced, while at the same time, dense, very deeply colored and extracted.

Tasting Notes: The 2005 HYDE VINEYARD Carneros Pinot Noir showcases aromas of cherry, raspberry, chocolate and woody forest floor. Expansive structure, coupled with silky tannins on the palate, is accented by highly extracted blueberry, blackberry pie, raspberry, fig, mocha and spice. With its array of aromas and flavors, this elegant wine displays excellent structure and complexity. The elongated finish is complimented by flavors of pomegranate and cardamom.

Winemaking:

100% Pinot Noir
Multi-yeast fermentations (wild & cultured)
100% malo-lactic fermentation in barrel
55% new Burgundian French oak barrels
Bottled without filtration

Release Date: February, 2007

Cases produced: 1,004

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Larry Hyde and Family – Hyde Vineyard – Carneros, Napa Valley

Hyde Vineyard has justifiably become one of the superstar vineyards in Carneros. Through many years of dedicated research, planting and winemaking, Larry Hyde has developed two of the most important grape selections in California: Hyde-Wente Chardonnay and Hyde-Calera Pinot Noir.

Small berry size produces concentrated intensity and vineyard character, essential to the winemaker's quest to bring forth the elusive "terroir" of the site. Our Hyde Vineyard Pinot Noir comes from three small blocks within the larger Hyde Vineyard: two are planted with the famous Hyde-Calera selection, along with some Dijon, Pommard and Bebe clones and the third is a plot of 25-year-old Swan clone.

James Hall
Winemaker