

2010 Deer Meadows Vineyard

This delicate and elegant pinot noir displays aromas of wild strawberries, earth, and sweet cedar. With patience, the nose unfurls seductive whiffs of sweet, red fruit. The restrained nose belies bright flavors of cherry spice and juicy red berries. With a pop of red raspberry in the mid-palate, this medium bodied pinot is smooth, easy drinking, and a perfect food friendly choice.

\$46/bottle

Vineyard Notes:

Deer Meadows sits 1,600 feet above the valley floor and is farmed by the incomparable Rich Savoy. Many years ago, this storied site supplied the fruit to Littorai's cult "One Acre" bottling before succumbing to Phylloxera. The site required full replanting, with 2010 marking the second year of premium useable fruit.

Harvest:

The 2010 Anderson Valley growing season was unseasonably cool, like much of Sonoma County. The 2010 Deer Meadows Vineyard Pinot Noir was our final fruit of the season, hand harvested on October 15, 2010. It was hand-sorted and de-stemmed to 100% whole berry the same day. Bruliam's 1.005 ton allocation included a clonal mixture of 20% Calera, 50% 777, and 30% 115. The truck sample yielded the following measurements:

°Brix: 23.4 pH: 3.34 TA: 7.88 g/L

Fermentation:

On October 18, 2010, following a 3-day cold soak, we augmented a native fermentation with a strong inoculum of RC212 yeast. The yeast addition recalibrated the course for an otherwise uneventful fermentation. The dry wine was drained from macrobin to tank on October 24, 2010. It was pressed and barreled down the same day. We inoculated secondary fermentation in barrel using Oenococcus Oeni Viniflora CH16.

Barrel Aging:

The wine was aged for 10 months in 50% new French oak, Francois Frere, Medium Toast.

Blending

We co-fermented a mixture of 20% Calera clone, 50% 777 clone, and 30% 115.

Bottling:

We bottled this wine on August 2, 2011. The wine was aged in bottle for three months prior to our December 11, 2011 release date.

About Bruliam Wines

Bruliam Wines is a boutique producer of single vineyard premium wines. Established in 2008 by Kerith and Brian Overstreet, "Bruliam" is an amalgamation of our three children's names. We strive to craft world class wines and use 100% of our profits to support charitable endeavors. Since our 2008 inception, Bruliam has donated to over 30 unique, charitable organizations selected by our followers through our "Bruliam Brigade" program. We've extensively documented our start-up and on-going growth on our blog. For more information, please visit us at www.bruliamwines.com