

2010 Soberanes Vineyard Pinot Noir

With a deep, intense ruby-garnet hue, this pinot expresses dark ripe fruit and exotic berry. Laced with Chinese cinnamon, nutmeg, allspice, and clove, the spicy notes balance the big, ripe fruit in our most full bodied offering. Sweet tobacco and oak contribute to the fuller tannins and rich intensity.

\$46/bottle

Vineyard:

2010 marks the inaugural year for Soberanes Vineyard, the latest vineyard collaboration from the famed SLH Pisoni-Fransconi duo. The 2010 growing season was notable for higher botrytis pressure after a rainy spring. But in a region coveted for cooling costal fogs and Salinas Valley winds, the weather patterns were close to average.

Harvest:

The Soberanes Vineyard Pinot Noir was our first fruit of the 2010 season, hand harvested on October 1, 2010. It was hand-sorted and de-stemmed to 100% whole berry the same day. Our entire allocation was 0.76 tons of proprietary Pisoni clone. The truck sample yielded the following measurements:

°Brix: 25.4 pH: 3.30 TA: 9.0 g/L

Fermentation:

Following a 5-day cold soak with daily punch downs, we inoculated the must with RC212 yeast on October 5, 2010. Once the skin "cap" had coalesced (post-inoculation day #2), we initiated our home-fashioned, plastic submerged-cap device. Fermentation was a breeze, and the dry wine was drained from macrobin to tank on October 13, 2010. It was pressed and barreled down on October 14, 2010. We inoculated for secondary fermentation in barrel using Oenococcus Oeni Viniflora CH16.

Barrel Aging:

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

Blending:

Our small allocation is 100% proprietary Pisoni clone.

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