

BARNETT VINEYARDS
Spring Mountain District
NAPA VALLEY

PINOT NOIR
Tina Marie Vineyard
Russian River Valley
2008

Harvest Dates:	September 4 th , 2008
Grape Source:	100% Tina Marie Vineyard Green Valley AVA of Russian River Valley
Clonal Blend:	54% 115, 23% 777 and 23% 667
Aging:	10 months in French Oak Barrels 45% new and 55% once used
Alcohol:	14.6%
Yeast:	RC212 and Indigenous Yeast
Production:	1389 Cases
Release Date:	September 2009
Winemaker:	David Tate

Vineyard Notes: Sourced from three different blocks from within the Tina Marie Vineyard of the Russian River Valley. The distinctive gold-ridge soil and coastal influence make it ideal for Pinot Noir. In 2008 the early heat allowed for rapid maturation of the fruit, allowing the grapes to reach their optimum physiological ripeness, but causing the earliest harvest that we've had for this vineyard. In addition, it was the first time that we picked all three clones (667,777,115) at the same time.

Winemaker Notes: All three clones were individually cold soaked for 5 to 6 days in small open top fermenters. Half of the lots were inoculated while the other half were fermented by natural yeast adding another layer of complexity to the blend. Gentle restricted pump overs occurred for an average of 9 to 11 days. The wine was allowed to sit on its lees for 5 to 6 months in barrel and closely monitored for any changes in flavor profile.

Tasting Notes: The nose of the 2008 is filled with spicy cherry and white pepper. Floral aromas surround the asian spice characteristic common in our Tina Marie pinot. The wine is lush and the mid pallet continues with fresh cherry and anise, with slight granite minerality. The tannins are softer than in previous years, and a vibrant spine of acidity runs through the wine. The wine is soft and elegant in its youth, but the spice and mineral complexity will become more apparent over the next 5-6 years (2010-2016).