Landmark Vineyards

# **2012 OVERLOOK PINOT NOIR**

VARIETAL	Pinot Noir
APPELLATION	53% San Luis Obispo, 40% Sonoma, and 7% Monterey Counties
BARREL REGIME	French oak aged for 10 months
WINEMAKER	Greg Stach
BOTTLING DATE	August 2013
RELEASE DATE	October 2013
ALCOHOL	14.5%

## VINEYARD NOTES

Blending vineyards from cool climate sites in San Luis Obispo, Sonoma, and Monterey Counties, our Overlook Pinot Noir represents the best of the vintage. Quality and flavor begin in the vineyard, which is why rapport with our growers is so important. Winemaker Greg Stach becomes intimately involved in our growers' viticultural practices, and personally chooses grapes from the finest vineyards allowing us to create a wine that captures the essence of the vintage.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Our pinot noir grapes are hand harvested in the vineyard. The fruit is hand sorted at the winery and fermented in small single vineyard lots with daily hand punch downs. The Overlook Pinot Noir is aged 10 months in 100% French oak barrels. During the aging process, the winemaking team tastes, tests, and then finally selects from these individual barrels to create the final blend of our Overlook Pinot Noir.

#### TASTING NOTES

The 2012 Overlook Pinot Noir has a bright ruby core with intense aromas of blackberries, violets, allspice, and black cherry. This medium-bodied pinot noir exhibits bright acidity with flavors of grilled strawberries, Bing cherry, and candied orange zest that is balanced with softly integrated tannins. This wine is ready to drink now, but would also benefit from 2-3 years in the cellar.

# SUGGESTED FOOD PAIRINGS

This elegant and well-balanced wine is an excellent accompaniment to roasted poultry such as Cornish game hen with quinoa, seared pork loin with drunken plums, eggplant parmesan, and grilled vegetables.

#### WINERY HISTORY

Nestled at the base of the Mayacamas Mountains in the Sonoma Valley, Landmark Vineyards epitomizes the rustic grace and beauty of Sonoma County. Since 1974, Landmark has been dedicated to producing handcrafted, ultra-premium Chardonnay and Pinot Noir sourcing grapes from unique vineyard sites throughout California to create rich, balanced wines.

