

# Robert Foley

## VINEYARDS

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### 2015 PINOT NOIR

Unique for the Carneros region of the southern Napa Valley, the 2015 Pinot Noir from the Hudson Vineyard is quite Burgundian in style. Benefiting from the extreme drainage of upper Carneros volcanic geology, the stressed vines have imparted fantastic character to the fruit while the cool proximity to the Bay keeps the natural acidity in perfect balance.

Even tonnages of a French clone and a UC Davis clone contribute a femininity and masculinity – two separate cuvées aged in two separate oak regimes to create a beautiful pair of wines that are barrel-aged one year in Burgundian cooperage sur lie, followed by 5 years of bottle age.

Hints of strawberry and fertile soil interplay within a framework of abundant natural acidity that is balanced with gentle tannins. The flavors carry on in a long finish on the palate. There is no sensation of heat... simply a beckoning for another mouthful!

### SPECIFICATIONS

Wine: 2015 Pinot Noir

Appellation: Carneros, Napa [Hudson vineyard]

Vineyard: 'Upper Carneros,' where the Mayacamas Mountain range completes its run. Volcanic tuff soil with warm days and cool nights.

Variety: 100% Pinot Noir [Clones 777 (Pommard) and 5 (UC Davis)]

Harvest: Hand picked in September 2015

Vinification: Ten-day fermentation, hand punch-down, new French Oak barrels

Alcohol: 13.2%

Bottled: August 2016

Production: 420 cases

Winemaker: Bob Foley

Retail price: \$52