

# BOUCHAINE

NAPA VALLEY • CARNEROS

## 2012 ESTATE TERRACES PINOT NOIR



**APPELLATION:** Napa Valley - Carneros

**MATURATION:** Fermented & aged in 40% new French oak

**AGING:** 11 months

**ALCOHOL:** 13.8%

**BOTTLING DATE:** August 8, 2013

**PH:** 3.60

**TA:** 5.5 g/L

**RS:** <.05%

**PRODUCTION:** 599 cases (750 mL)

**HARVEST DATE:** September 13 & 15, 2012

### THE STORY OF THIS WINE

The Estate Terraces vineyards curl around the northeastern slopes of the landmark Garetto hills featured on our label. They capture predominantly morning sun and enjoy some protection from the prevailing west winds. This is the most well drained and lightest soil on the estate. Consequently, the wines are quite distinctive, showing the savory intensity more typical of a dry-farmed (non-irrigated) site.

A generous portion of new French oak lends a sweet spice component to the well layered flavors.

### ABOUT THE VINEYARDS

Bouchaine's 100-acre estate vineyard lies on the southern border of Napa Valley's Carneros district, overlooking the Napa-Sonoma Marsh State Wildlife Area with San Francisco and the bay in the distance. Fog, wind, and the cold nighttime temperatures of this unique geographical area lend distinctive regional identity to Pinot Noir.