

BOUCHAINE

2009 COPELAND ESTATE PINOT NOIR



APPELLATION:	Napa Valley Carneros
MATURATION:	100% new French oak barrels
AGING:	11 months
ALCOHOL:	14.5%
BOTTLING DATE:	January 2011
PH:	3.70
TA:	5.8 g/L
RS:	<0.5 g/L (Dry)
PRODUCTION:	62 Cases (750 mL); 20 Magnum bottles (1.5L); 20 Double Magnum bottles
RETAIL PRICE:	\$100/bottle; \$1200/case

ABOUT THE VINEYARDS

The 2009 Copeland Estate Pinot Noir is the culmination of 30 years of commitment to excellence, the pursuit of Carneros style and Burgundian elegance by Gerret and Tatiana Copeland, proprietors of Bouchaine Vineyards. Bouchaine's 100 acre estate vineyard lies on the southern border of Napa Valley's Carneros district. The Bouchaine signature hills, as depicted on our label, provide a panoramic view of the Napa-Sonoma Marsh 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.

GROWING SEASON

2009 proved to be a fantastic harvest year for this estate wine. The cool summer gave way to September heat that quickly ripened the vines, producing bright and well-defined Pinot Noir intensity. Marked by a third year of drought conditions, the prudent watering from our partially

filled ponds allowed for full fruit development, while limiting crop yield. It was a one-in-ten harvest year.

This limited-release 2009 Copeland Estate Pinot Noir is handcrafted from a selection of the most outstanding vineyard blocks to yield the most elegant wine possible.

VINIFICATION

This distinct Pinot Noir is fermented in 100% new French oak barrels for 11 months. One midseason racking is performed to assemble the blend then returned to barrel for a couple of months to marry before the January bottling.

TASTING NOTES

A striking and vivid Pinot Noir layered with intense, bright cherries, berries, and a lingering finish with a plush texture. Only two barrels were produced, selected from an unusually fine and well-balanced vintage – more refined grace than bold opulence. This wine comes in a beautiful antique redwood box.