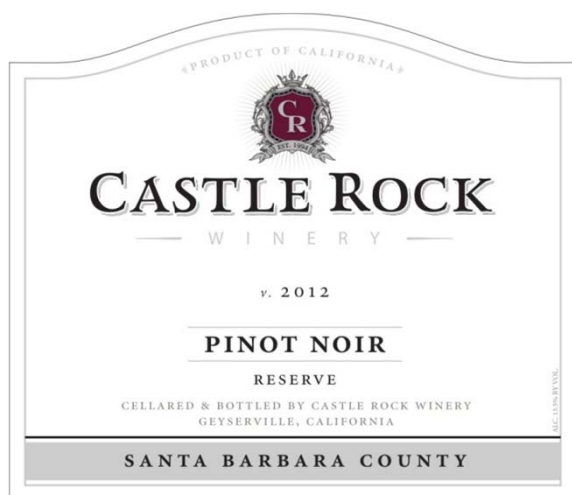




CASTLE ROCK

— W I N E R Y —

# 2012 Santa Barbara Reserve Pinot Noir



## ✦ Appellation

Santa Barbara – Perhaps one of California’s most fashionable, sought after AVA’s Santa Barbara has proven its mettle over the last decade producing just about every variety of red and white wine with astonishing results. Santa Barbara has it all: proximity to the Pacific Ocean and its cooling breezes along with acre after acre of cascading hills and valleys. Here, these valleys are canted to the East and West, rather than the more typical North-South arrangement—a quirk of nature that allows for a surplus of sunlight and added ripeness for the grapes. The topography is varied, the climate is Mediterranean, and the entire region practically overflows with dedicated (some might say obsessive!) growers and some of the most beautiful vineyard land found anywhere in the world.

## ✦ Tasting Notes

Our Castle Rock Pinot Noir hails from California’s picturesque Santa Barbara County, where cool nights follow sunny days, and gently rolling hills and valleys provide the ideal growing conditions for this notoriously finicky grape. This Pinot Noir boasts red berry fruit aromas and an exotic note of black tea. In the mouth this wine is velvety and medium bodied, tasting of ripe cherries and ending in a beguilingly spicy finish. Incredibly versatile at the table, try this with salmon, tuna, Asian foods and lighter meat dishes.

## ✦ Winemaker’s Notes

- Total Acid 6.0 g/L
- Cases Produced: 5,000
- Alc 13.9%
- Vineyard Source: Santa Barbara County
- Winemaker: August Briggs

✦ AWARD-WINNING WINES AT AFFORDABLE PRICES ✦

