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## Fritz Underground Winery's Portfolio of Wines 2009 Reserve Pinot Noir

#### Winemaker's Notes:

The fruit for this luxurious wine was sourced from vineyards in and around the picturesque town of Graton. The color of garnets, our 2009 Reserve Pinot Noir expresses intense aromas of black cherries, pomegranate, and cocoa powder that are followed quickly by layers of baking spices and toasted chestnuts. Bright acidity is balanced perfectly by smooth tannins in this full bodied Pinot Noir. Look for lingering flavors of fresh-picked cherries, baked plum, and black fruits that give way to subtle hints of chocolate.

- Winemaker Brad Longton



### Technical Data:

Appellation:	Russian River Valley
Varietal:	Pinot Noir
Harvest Date:	September 2009
Barrel Aging:	10 Months
Alcohol:	14.5%
Production:	242 Cases

#### **Production Notes:**

Whole berries were transferred to open top fermenters to help capture bright fruit aromas and flavors. The tanks were cold soaked for five days then warmed and inoculated with native yeast. Punch downs occurred in the tanks 2-3 times/day for 10 days, allowing skin contact for color. The wine was then drained off the skins and placed in 40% new barrels for 10 months.