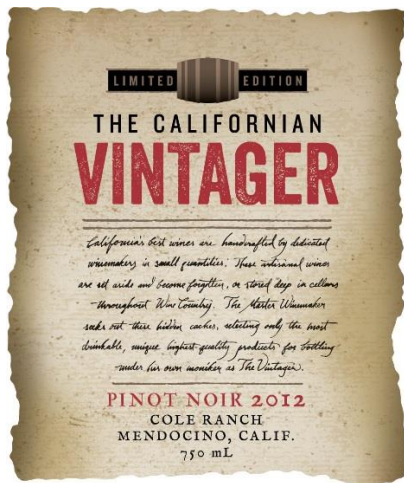


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Background

Winery: Vintager

Country: US

Region: California – Mendocino

Description: The Vintager project, a Wine Trust exclusive, brings to market “hidden gem” small-batch and limited release wines from some of California’s best micro-wineries. With individual production volumes as small as 100 cases per bottling, these hard-to-find wines represent California’s artisanal wine-making tradition at its best and most authentic.

Wine Notes – 2012 Vintager Pinot Noir Mendocino – Cole Ranch

The Vintager Pinot Noir 2012 is sourced from the Cole Ranch AVA in Mendocino County. Nestled between the vinous hotbeds of the Russian River Valley and the Anderson Valley, Cole Ranch is the smallest AVA in the United States at a “blink and you miss it” size of 189 acres, with just 55 acres planted to vines. Sitting at an altitude of 1400 feet, the AVA is a canyon valley set into the hills west of Ukiah and enjoys warm, sunny days and cold nights – the perfect conditions for grapes with a buoyant acidity profile and delicate yet bright fruit flavors.

Technical Specifications

Wine:	2012 Vintager Pinot Noir
Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Vineyard Region:	Mendocino – Cole Ranch
Vine Age / Yields:	West-facing 10-year old vines for maximum sun exposure and vibrant fruit
Production Volume:	500 cs
Vineyard Characteristics:	Primarily red shale and loam with limestone substrate
Wine-Making / Vinification:	Sustainably-farmed, early-morning hand-harvested, bunch-sorted, whole-berry fermented Aged in new French oak for 24 months
Alcohol / Volume:	13.0 %
Residual Sugar:	2.3 g/L
pH:	3.58
Acidity:	5.5 g/L