



# CALERA

2009

## RYAN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

MT. HARLAN

Calera's Mt. Harlan Vineyards are located in the Gavilan Mountains 25 miles east of the Monterey Bay. The site was chosen for its limestone soils and ideal climate. At an average elevation of 2,200 feet it is among the highest and coolest vineyard sites in California.

### Winemakers Notes

This stately 2009 Ryan vineyard Pinot Noir displays a rich, elegant and distinct bouquet of black currant, blackberry bramble, flinty mineral and dried fennel. This wine is lush but restrained with nice fine-grained tannins, wonderful forest characters, slight anise, a hint of toast and deep berry fruit. Truly Mt Harlan; classic Ryan Vineyard.

#### Vineyard Details

Planted in 1998 and 2001  
13.1 acres, 7.5 x 4.5 spacing  
West/Southwest exposure  
Limestone soils  
Clone: Calera Selection  
Rootstock: 110R, 5C & 1103 Paulsen  
Crop Yield: 2.33 tons/acre

#### Wine Analysis

Total Acidity: 6.2 g/l  
Final pH: 3.50  
Malolactic: 100%  
Alcohol: 14.1%  
Production: 2,318 cases

All of our Mt Harlan vineyards are farmed ORGANICALLY & CERTIFIED

### Vintage and Winemaking Detail

Moderate summer temperatures gave us an ideal growing season in 2009 to hang the fruit to our desired ripeness. We picked the Ryan Vineyard in three different passes starting on September 26th and ending on the 11th of October. Each day's picking became a separate lot up until shortly before bottling. Each was fermented by the action of native yeasts in small open top fermenters.

Each lot was pressed 14 days after harvest, racked by gravity to French oak barrels, then aged without racking in those barrels, 30% new, for eighteen months. The three lots were then combined and the resultant wine was bottled without filtration, as always.