

Domaine Eden

Technical notes

2009 Pinot Noir Santa Cruz Mountains

Yield: 2.8 tons per acre
Harvest: September 4th-11th
Numbers @ Harvest: 23.8 Brix
3.44° pH
8.0 grams acidity

Barrel Regimen - French Burgundy-1/2 new; aged 11 months in barrel
Bottling - September 2010; no fining or filtration

573 cases produced

Winemakers notes at release: Spring 2011

Domaine Eden is a nearby mountaintop wine estate Mount Eden Vineyards purchased in 2007. It was founded and built by the late Tom Mudd in 1983 and modeled after Mount Eden. Mudd initially planted the Mount Eden clonal selections of Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon, which evolved to include Pinot Noir from various Dijon and California selections.

This property inspired a new wine brand for Mount Eden, *Domaine Eden*, which focuses on Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from this special site and Bordeaux varieties from Mount Eden's larger home, the Santa Cruz Mountains.

This Pinot Noir is a mosaic of different selections and clones grown at Domaine Eden: Dijon clones 777, 667 and 828 reside alongside the historic California selections Mount Eden, Calera and Swan. Each parcel is farmed to our strict standards of sustainability, dry farming and low yields.

Using the same exacting methods employed for Mount Eden's Estate Pinot Noir: natural indigenous fermentations - both primary and secondary, French Burgundy barrels, no fining, filtration or any other manipulation.

Although a mere mile away from Mount Eden as the crow flies, the *terroir* here is different and it shows. Medium ruby color, complex, earthy red fruit nose, this wine has suave texture on the palate with richness and balancing elegance. This is a classic Pinot Noir reflective of its unique peak.