



# Merry Edwards Winery

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## 2003 Merry Edwards Pinot Noir Russian River Valley

Vintage after vintage the dedicated grape growers of the Russian River Valley prove our region breeds luscious, intense Pinot Noir. Each year I select fruit from the finest local vineyards to create my Russian River Valley blend, a wine that delivers the appealing, mouthwatering qualities of classic Pinot Noir from our appellation.

Six distinctive vineyards, including my own Meredith Estate and Klopp Ranch, contributed grapes to this complex, well-integrated wine. I cold soaked the whole fruit to emphasize the vibrant, expansive flavors. Ten months in French oak framed the blend with subtle spice.

Striking aromas predict the wine's rich fruitiness, a blend of raspberry, blueberry and plum. Chocolate and black pepper add attractive dimension. Succulent from start to finish, this smoothly textured wine has great weight on the palate. The full fruitiness of this Pinot Noir is a gratifying counterpoint to grilled meat and poultry. Charcoal-grilled duck breast and wild mushroom salad is a perfect match.