



# Merry Edwards Winery

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## Coopersmith

Coopersmith (estate) sits on the rolling Laguna Ridge near the town of Sebastopol, just west of the wintertime lake - Laguna de Santa Rosa. Merry Edwards and her husband Ken Coopersmith purchased the nine-and-a-half acre apple orchard in 1999. They planted this Russian River Valley vineyard to Pinot Noir in the summer of 2001.

Practicing sustainable farming, Merry and Ken pampered the young vines with micronutrients derived from generous applications of organic oak-based mushroom compost, provided by their neighbor, Gourmet Mushrooms. Originally the home of Haven Best's organic apples, the site is proving itself even with the first production. The inaugural 2004 bottling of Merry Edwards Coopersmith Pinot Noir presents aromas lush with chocolate and cherries, and rich, supple tannins.

Acreage:	9.5 acres; 8.5 planted
Exposure:	South/south-east
Soil type:	Sebastopol Sandy Loam
Rootstocks:	10114 and Schwarzmann
Scion wood clones:	UCD 37 (isolated by Merry Edwards at Mount Eden Vineyard, aka the Merry Edwards selection)
Vine Spacing:	5 x 8 feet, vertical trellis
Appellation:	Russian River Valley