



**Merry Edwards Winery**  
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

**2007 Merry Edwards Pinot Noir**  
**Russian River Valley**  
**Klopp Ranch**

We have worked with grower Ted Klopp for many years. Beginning in 1989 and continuing through each expansion of the vineyard, we helped him decide what clones to plant. The diversity of these selections and the individual terroir of each block have allowed us to create blends reflecting the site's enduring character year after year. Making farming decisions together throughout the growing season has expanded on a base of consistent quality.

This partnership has rewarded us with a decade of stunning vintages. The 2007 shows the hallmark Klopp personality – bramblefruit through and through. The aroma is like a trip through the countryside with ripe blueberries, blackberries, boysenberries and ollalieberries all joining in the medley. Notes of cola, sweet vanilla and cassis add to its charm. In the mouth, the tannins are well integrated, smooth and approachable. Savory oak and a touch of rose hips lift the rich, weighty finish.

Ken and I enjoy this Pinot with grilled flank steak or ribeye steak, oven-baked garlic potatoes and a chopped salad made from fresh vegetables grown in our garden. Wild game is another yummy entrée, sauced with a reduction of veal stock and crushed berries. This wine is also enjoyable as part of a final cheese course – try a variety from your locale, and add some dried fruit and a chocolate truffle for extra sweetness.