



2015 Merry Edwards Pinot Noir
Russian River Valley
Meredith Estate

As our foundation vineyard, Meredith Estate holds star status in our portfolio of Pinots. The intensive farming care we give this steeply sloping property in the Sebastopol Hills is paid back with ample rewards each harvest. In the years since planting in 1998, the ever increasing richness and expansive complexity of these wines continue to astound us.

The depth of color in this vintage portends an opulent Pinot, packed with dark brambleberry fruit, black cherry and laced with highly perfumed *fraise du bois*, grown on the forest floor. Scents of David Austin blood-red roses, creamy milk chocolate and warm spices — including nutmeg, cumin and cardamom — complete this wine's intense and unrestrained aroma.

The palate is velvety smooth following an enticing, generous entry. Lithe and muscular, this Pinot's texture is well-proportioned and the acidity is bright and balanced. The tannins are refined and elegant yet lavish, creating a full, sustained finish. Delicious, lingering impressions are of savory mushrooms, caramel, cassis and lovely toasty oak. The complete, delectable profile fine-tunes this wine for a long, successful future.

My friend Teresa Tachovsky devised *Rabbit Rabbit* to pair with our 2015 Meredith Estate Pinot Noir. The tender rabbit, herbaceous pan juices and briny olives marry beautifully with the aromatic spiciness of the Meredith. Her just reward for this scrumptious recipe is a signed magnum of this wine. You may find this winner on our website at merryedwards.com.