

Neely

Vintage & Block Summary

Pinot Noir

2008 Hidden Block
3 acres
northeast-facing slope
730 to 690 ft. elevation
11 year old vines
5C rootstock
sedimentary rock near surface
Dijon 115 clone
all french oak, thirty percent new,
features Allier & Nevers forests

2008 Picnic Block
2 acres
east-facing slope
645 to 600 ft. elevation
8 year old vines
5C Rootstock
sedimentary rock shallow depth
Dijon 777 clone
all french oak, thirty percent new,
features Allier & Nevers forests

2008 Upper Picnic Block
2 acres
east-facing slope
660 to 645 ft. elevation
27 year old vines
grafted on to 25 year old roots in 2006
sedimentary rock medium depth
Dijon 777 clone
all french oak, thirty percent new,
features Nevers, Allier & Vosges forests

Ten miles from the Pacific Ocean, northern Santa Cruz Mountains appellation
Dry-farmed, non-fertilized, hand-hoed, no insecticides, native cover crop
Grown on porous, young (1-3 million years old) fractured sedimentary rock

2-3% whole clusters, 5 day cool soak, hand punchdown
Indigenous yeast, pressed at dryness, 12 months in barrel without racking
Hand-racked using an esquive and hand-cranked barrel tilting device, unfinned & unfiltered

Chardonnay

2009 Holly's Cuvee

A blend of all three blocks,
71% Bee Block
27% Amphitheater Block
2% Home Block

Each block component is composed of a proportional blend of all barrels

Minimally settled juice, indigenous yeast and malo-lactic bacteria, barrel fermentation
Hand-racked using an esquive and hand -cranked barrel tilting device.

The 2008's
were influenced by the second year of a draught and continue to show less of vintage imprint and more
of a vineyard imprint. The blocks were not affected by either frost or the fires that were prevalent in California.

The 2009
vintage was the last of a three year dry period. An even and uneventful summer carried on through harvest
The wines found a natural balance early on.

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