



**2006 Estate Pinot Noir – Carrie's**  
*Small Lot Collection*

832 cases produced, \$52/bottle

Release Date 03.21.08

**production**

Comprised of dijonnaise clones 114 and 115, Carrie's 4.9 acres sits on the mesa contiguous with the Terraces' sections. Carrie's has several feet of dense clay and slightly less wind pressure than its sister block Terraces. Also enhancing the extremity of this site is the gravitational pull on the three exposed sides which forces the roots to search deeper for sustenance. The vines from Carrie's consistently produce a contradiction: on one hand the fruit is deeply concentrated and focused, while on the other, it always has elegance and finesse. 50% stem inclusion. Yields at 4 lbs./plant. Total skin and stem contact averaged 30 days (7 day cold soak, 2 + weeks of fermentation and 1 + week extended maceration.) From the press, the wine was transferred directly into barrel (20% new Sirugue French oak), where it remained sur lie with no sulfur until April, when it was gently pressure-racked for the first time and prepared for bottling in July. 14.8% alcohol.

**tasting notes**

*This vintage of Carrie's is loaded with high-toned fruit notes of passion fruit, guava and red plum with dark nuances of black cherry and black currants. An intriguing collection of aromas follows including orange flowers, white sage, river water, carrots and purple beets. The palate weight is generous and complete, finishing with a juxtaposition of strength and restraint.*

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