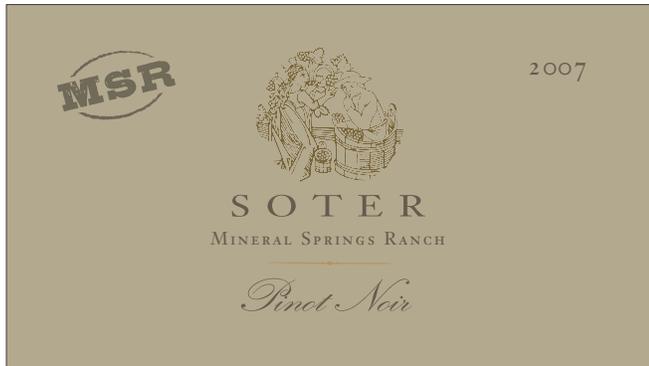


2007 MINERAL SPRINGS RANCH

PINOT NOIR



THE VINEYARD

Mineral Springs is a 32-acre vineyard, planted in 2002 on an east-west ridge just east of Carlton, OR. The soils, derived from fractured siltstone and sandstone, are ancient marine sediments that drain well and are thus perfectly suited to viticulture. The vineyard sits just under 400 feet and faces south and southwest on a highly uniform and gentle slope. We think this is a perfect spot for Pinot Noir.

TASTING NOTE

The Mineral Springs Pinot Noir is a single-vineyard wine sourced entirely from our Estate property. Its deep garnet hue previews an earthen nose laced with black fruit and a hint of slate. The palate displays ripe, black plum, cherry, clove and sandalwood with an undercurrent of black fruits reminiscent of marionberry and crushed blackberry. Layer upon layer of depth and complexity are revealed in a velvety texture and lingering finish. The wine tells the story of the vintage as well as the vineyard, delivering a core of varietally correct Pinot Noir fruit characteristics coupled with a unique personality that can only come from Mineral Springs.

ACCOLADES

“Vivid red. Highly expressive floral bouquet of black raspberry, potpourri spices and subtle cola. Vibrant and red-fruity on entry, then gains heft and depth in the mid-palate, offering smoky dark berry and musky spice flavors and good tangy lift.” --93 points
Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar

“The 2007 Mineral Springs Ranch Pinot Noir is more deeply colored with aromas of damp earth, roasted herbs, black cherry and black raspberry. On the palate spice notes emerge along with savory black fruit flavors and enough structure to evolve for 1-2 years. It will be at its best from 2010 to 2019.”
--92 points, *The Wine Advocate*

“Fleshier than most 2007s. Not heavy, but shows a density that lifts the dark currant and plum fruit. Finishes with firm tannins that fade away, allowing the flavors to shine. Plays out with cream, nutmeg and floral notes.”
--91 points, *The Wine Spectator*

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