

LA CREMA®



SARALEE'S VINEYARD

2015

Pinot Noir

Lush. Fruity. Intense.

"*DELICATE* notes of red *CHERRY*, violet perfume, and *SPICE*. Fresh red *RASPBERRY*, cola, and *EARTH* with understated oak. On the palate, the wine has a medium body with *JUICY* acidity and *REFINED* tannins."

CRAIG MCALLISTER,
WINEMAKER

Our original name, La Crema Vinera, means "best of the vine," setting the standard for all we do since 1979. Our family-owned and operated winery focuses exclusively on cool-climate appellations. We're continually exploring these very special regions — passionate in our belief that they make uniquely expressive and elegant wines.

A REMARKABLE PLACE

At the heart of the Russian River Valley sits a majestic vineyard honoring the late Saralee Kunde, one of the region's most beloved and respected wine-growing visionaries. Atop rolling vineyards, awash in rustic charm and dotted with flower gardens and oak groves, it's truly storybook. And the fruit? Magical.

This is Saralee's Vineyard, a Russian River Valley gem.

It's a place for La Crema.

EXCEPTIONAL GRAPES

A cool climate means grapes spend more time on the vine. That allows a deeper, more dramatic spectrum of flavors and aromas to develop. And that creates decidedly rich and layered wines.

2015 marked the fourth consecutive drought year for the Russian River Valley and the earliest start to harvest ever. Shatter early in the season led to low yields which resulted in small, loose clusters and concentrated wines with great acidity and purity. Harvest began on September 14th.

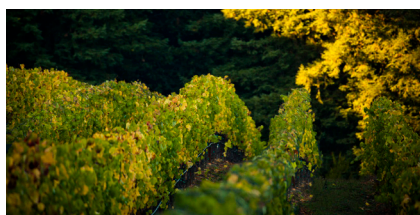
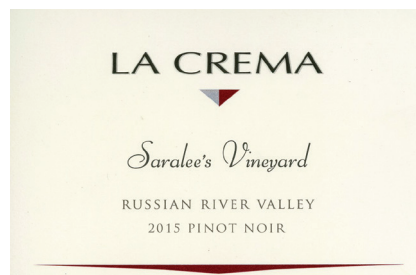
ARTISAN WINEMAKING

Our boutique, hands-on techniques continued into the winery.

Seventy percent whole berries went into open top tank fermentation, with juice cold-soaked for three to five days and carefully hand-punched three times each day — to best extract a luminous, deep ruby color and velvety texture from the skins. Free run wine was transferred to 100 percent French oak barrels. Nine months of aging helped create our signature smooth flavors.

It's no surprise that the resulting wine is as charming as the place it comes from. Balanced, elegant, earthy and distinct.

The singular beauty of Saralee's Vineyard in every sip.



THE STATS:

Appellation: Russian River Valley
Composition: 100% Pinot Noir
Type of Oak: 100% French; 27% new
Time in Barrel: 10 months
Alcohol: 14.5%
T.A.: 0.59g / 100mL
pH: 3.59