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\$29.00	\$56.00	48%

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2015 Ryan Cochraneprodukt-timed-pdf - Pinot Noir Fiddlestix Vineyard - Elegant Single-Vineyard Pinot Noir! Wine Enthusiast 93 Points!

Why We're Drinking It

We got some Pinot lined up for you to close out the week because we know how much you enjoy this silky, elegant diva of all vitis vinifera. Today's is a beautiful doozy that we are incredibly honored to share with you, at 48% off no less! A 93pt stunner with layers of flavor that is lightweight and positively divine...it certainly deserves space in your cellar (if we don't hoard it all for ourselves first!).

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Ryan Cochran decided to pivot his path in life to the world of winemaking in 2009 after the agency he worked for imploded. He interned with Roger Nicolas of RN Estate in Paso Robles, and set out to learn all aspects wine production, from grape to glass. Though Ryan unfortunately passed away last year, his legacy lives on through his well-accoladed wines exuding his cheerful and enthusiastic spirit. This particular wine hails from the prized Fiddlestix Vineyard in Sta. Rita Hills, a site in which numerous producers including Jonata, Paul Lato and Tyler, to name a few, have sourced Pinot for their critically adored bottlings.

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Pinotfiles, you simply must try this beauty! The elegance! The delicate dance it delivers across your tongue is simply exquisite! Though we may try to keep it all for ourselves, do try to snag some at \$116 a 4-pack with shipping included. Happy weekend!

Tasting Notes

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VARIETAL
Pinot Noir
APPELLATION
Sta. Rita Hills
ALCOHOL
14.20
SIZE
750ml
BLEND
Pinot Noir

The Story to Know

Ryan Cochran makes hand-crafted Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in extremely small quantities. With grapes sourced from the best vineyards, Ryan produces food-friendly, structured wines that reflect the sites from which they originated. More importantly, he just wants to create wines that make people smile.

Back in 2009, he wasn't smiling a lot. The advertising agency he was working at had just imploded. Ryan started freelancing, but it was a bad time for work in San Francisco. He had always dreamed about making wine, so one foggy morning in July, he decided to stop dreaming about it and do it for reals.

He contacted Roger Nicolas at RN Estate in Paso Robles and asked if he could intern with him. Roger makes beautiful wines, but he was equally enamored of his DEY (do everything yourself) approach to his business. That year, he helped in all phases of harvest, from vineyard work in the spring to pressing and barreling in the fall.

Ryan came back to RNE in 2010, and made 24.5 cases of his inaugural Pinot Noir on the side. In 2011, he tripled his production and was promoted to Roger's assistant winemaker. He made two different Pinots in 2012 and his very first Chardonnay in 2013. All from two of the most extraordinary vineyards in Santa Barbara County.

Ratings

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