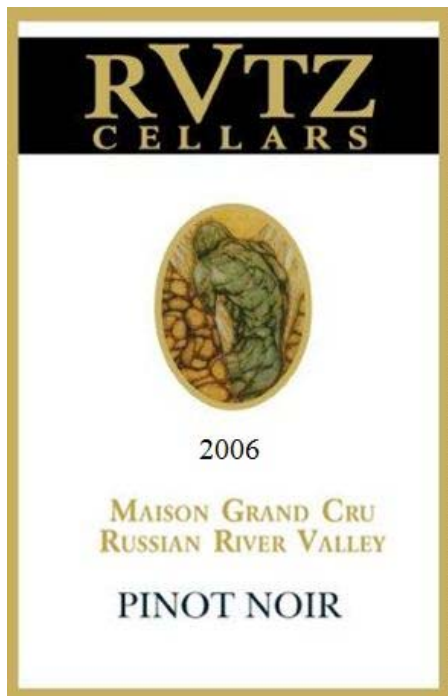


2006 Maison Grand Cru Russian River Valley Pinot Noir



Release Notes

Rutz Cellars "Maison Grand Cru Pinot Noir" has become since its inception in 1996, the "Proprietary Trademark" of Keith Rutz, as his signature style of winemaking. This wine proclaims what his "personal style" of French Burgundy has become. It has EVOLVED....MATURED...as has his passion for making world class pinot noir. "Maison Grand Cru" is..... the "best of the house"! "Not the most dynamic and most bold lots in the domain"....it is of BALANCE! He chooses the barrels from the aging caves that have the most "balance" to contribute to the blend. It becomes "seamless"! It is THEN when you have "balance"...you get "finesse"! The ever-so softened up mid palate lingers forever. It is bold and yet has "restraint"... it opens to evoke an air of pedigree from which it hails: Russian River Valley..... the premier wine growing region for pinot noir in the new world. It further opens to a sense of "emotion" , beauty and grace....that compliments its inner core.

Tasting Notes

Aromatics of deep black fruit with burnt bacon flavors that casts a tone of cigar, cinderbox and cedar wrapped around a core of minerals and cinnamon spices.

Statistics

Harvest: September 2006

Alcohol 14.5%

PH: 3.56

TA: 0.57 g/100ml



RVTZ
CELLARS