



*2000 Landmark
"Grand Detour" Pinot Noir
Van der Kamp Vineyards, Sonoma Mountain*

The Van der Kamp vineyard is located on Sonoma Mountain, a sub-appellation of the Sonoma Valley that enjoys significantly cooler temperatures due to its elevation of over 1,000 feet and exposure to cooling Pacific Ocean breezes. Vine ages range from 10 to over 30 years old. A mix of volcanic soils containing varying amounts of clay allows for minimal irrigation, which results in extremely low yields, averaging less than three tons per acre. Several old California clonal selections imported from Burgundy help to lend a wonderful complexity to this wine.

The hand-harvested clusters are hand-sorted at the winery before destemming. Winemaking follows traditional Burgundian practice; indigenous yeasts, hand punch-down and minimal intervention. An effort is made to extract intensity and flavor without the harsher tannins and bitter components of stems or seeds. The wine typically displays a rich, dark, ruby color, with earthy elements accenting the intense black cherry and jammy raspberry fruit. Aging is carried out over twelve months in selected French oak barrels and following careful racking, the wine is bottled without filtration. It receives an additional nine months of bottle aging before its release.

This wine's intense mountain fruit, with robust but balanced tannins and acidity, and plush, velvety texture, allow it to be served anytime an elegant red wine is called for: roast leg of lamb or beef bourguignonne are just a couple of suggestions.

Production: Limited

Landmark Vineyards is a family owned and operated winery located at 101 Adobe Canyon Road at Highway 12 in Kenwood, California 95452. Retail Sales & Tasting daily from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Bocce Court; Horsesdrawn wagon tours in the vineyards; cottage available for overnight rental. Telephone: (707) 833-0053 or (1-800) 452-6365; Fax: (707) 833-1164

