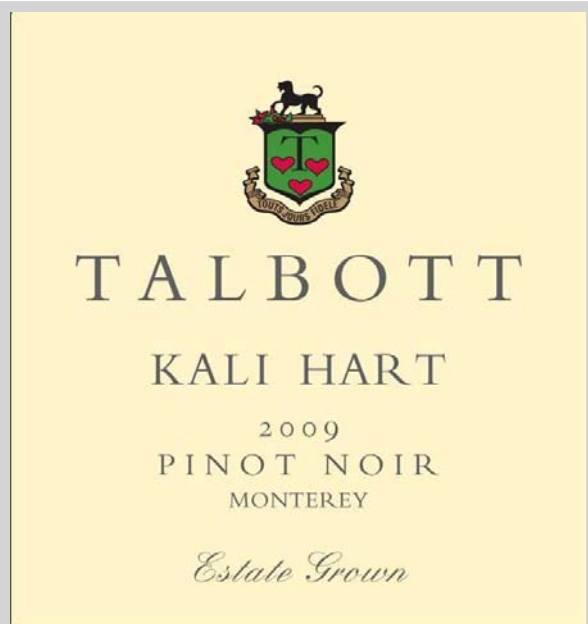




## 2009 TALBOTT PINOT NOIR KALI HART



**T**albott Pinot Noir, Kali Hart is made to be bright and appealing upon release. It offers the fresh, cool-climate fruit that the Monterey County AVA is known for. In keeping with the Talbott style, the wine has restrained oak and excellent acidity, with rich flavors and a pleasing mouthfeel. Kali Hart Pinot Noir is named after Robb Talbott's youngest daughter.

### **WINEMAKING**

- 100% estate-grown Pinot Noir
- Alcohol 14.8%, pH 3.83, TA .61
- Destemmed
- Placed in open-top fermentors
- Punched down twice daily during fermentation
- Pressed off to 20% new French oak barrels for five months of aging

### **VINEYARDS**

The Sleepy Hollow Vineyard is situated on 585 acres of benchland in the Santa Lucia Highlands, 13 miles south of Monterey. The well-drained vineyard features sparse soil comprised of sand, gravel, and granite, which reduces yields and creates rich, concentrated flavors in the grapes. With morning sunlight from its east-northeast exposure, the vineyard lives much of the time in the cool fog and wind from the Pacific Ocean. With a long, cool growing season, the grapes develop character, intensity, and depth of flavor for which the vineyard has become known.

### **TASTING NOTES**

Talbott Pinot Noir, Kali Hart has aromas of blueberry, cherry and plum, as well as floral notes and hints of spicy cinnamon and French oak. On the palate, this wine has sweet ripe flavors of cherry, blueberry and plum. The finish is long and rich, with subtle vanilla from the French oak. In keeping with the Kali Hart style, this wine is bright, soft and fruit-driven.

