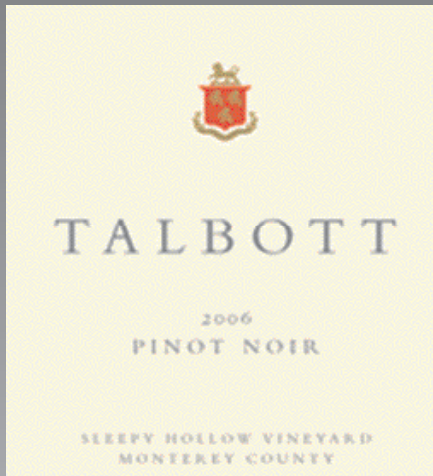




# TALBOTT SLEEPY HOLLOW VINEYARD 2006 PINOT NOIR



COMPOSITION	100% Pinot Noir	
TECHNICAL NOTES	Alcohol	14.95%
	pH	3.78
	Total Acidity	.76
RELEASE DATE	MARCH 2009	

The 2006 Talbott Sleepy Hollow Vineyard Pinot Noir represents the newest addition to the Talbott wine portfolio, and is crafted as a stylistic companion to our acclaimed Talbott Sleepy Hollow Vineyard Chardonnay—our flagship wine. The premiere 2006 vintage of this highly anticipated release offers a lushly elegant expression of cool-climate Pinot Noir. Crafted by our winemaker Dan Karlsen—a passionate Pinot Noir specialist, with 30 years of experience—this unique wine embodies the depth and distinctiveness of our Sleepy Hollow Vineyard, and an evolution for our Pinot Noir program.

## VINEYARDS

Our 2006 Talbott Pinot Noir represents a selection of the finest lots of fruit from special blocks our Sleepy Hollow Vineyard, located in the Santa Lucia Highlands AVA. This vineyard is widely recognized as one of Monterey County's grand cru properties, with a reputation for producing exceptional fruit year after year. The blend for our inaugural Talbott Sleepy Hollow Vineyard Pinot Noir is built around a core of 50 percent old-vine Martini clone fruit from a prized block of Sleepy Hollow A. To add nuance and vibrant complexity, this coveted fruit is blended with grapes from more youthful clone 114 and 115 plantings.

## WINEMAKING

Hand-sorted, estate-grown fruit from select blocks of Sleepy Hollow Vineyard  
Lightly crushed, and cold-soaked for 21 days prior to fermentation  
Punched down by hand in small open-top fermenters  
Pressed off to 30% new French oak barrels for one year of aging  
Bottle-aged prior to release

## TASTING NOTES

The 2006 Talbott Sleepy Hollow Vineyard Pinot Noir exhibits a rich deep-garnet hue, with youthful intensity and excellent clarity. Inviting aromas of fresh, ripe fruit, cherry, plum and vine-ripened blueberry lead to signature Sleepy Hollow floral notes, and elements of sweet French oak and spicy cinnamon. On the palate, this lush and silky Pinot displays rich texture and amazing ripe fruit, underscored by mid-palate layers of rose petal, violet, cinnamon and spice. A lasting finish reveals more luscious fruit combined with lively acidity, which leaves the palate refreshed. We believe this to be the finest Pinot Noir to date from Sleepy Hollow Vineyard.

