



Kitten Swish
2012 Pinot Noir
I'm Here Now
(wait...what was that?)



I have long been a fan of Russian River Valley wines. I love the slightly tropical aromas, the soft mouth-kissing textures, and the lengthy stretched-out reach of the finish.

Soft and plush, lazy summer days, mouths filled with wine. These are things I think about when I'm in the Russian River Valley.

This Pinot Noir comes from a selection of 3 barrels from a single vineyard in the heart of the Green Valley sub-appellation. The vineyard is comprised of sandy Goldridge soils, primo for Pinot, and the clone here is 115. The wines were fermented in a combination of concrete egg and stainless steel with 10% whole cluster. 2012 was a solid vintage in Sonoma with no real heat spikes and no heavy rain, enabling a clean harvest with good yields. The use of all older barrels here and careful tannin management have meant for a very supple mouth feel and gently rolling aromatics. I picked barrels that showed elegance and harmony, with a supple and gentle finesse. A carefully blended Pinot Noirfor your mouth.

The label is a close up of Frank, the collection of baby doll heads that live in my house. The label is a continuation of 2012 Zinfandel things I thought about yesterday, with Frank getting a close up here. The label is called "I'm Here Now", referring to the delicious Pinot Noir your mouth is about to love. The sub label "wait...what was that?" is a shout out to the release of Mouth Flowers....coming soon...
...to a mouth near to you.

Sincerely,
Bradley Royale
Kitten Swish™

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It's for your mouth™

