

# Herrera

SINGLE VINEYARD • BARREL SELECTED • LIMITED PRODUCTION

## 2007 Selección Esmeralda

### *The Story.....*

*One of the many benefits of growing grapes in the Napa Valley is the almost limitless bounty that Mother Nature bestows upon us. So generous in fact, that in good vintages I'll often discover a few barrels that are clearly superior to everything else in the cellar. On most occasions, this is a direct result of decisions that I make as a winemaker. Humbly, there are times when Mother Nature's good graces are purely the result of good fortune.*

*Given the numerous variables that I encounter each vintage, it is only after I've had a chance to taste through each barrel that I gain a genuine appreciation for the nuances that each vineyard has to offer. Those barrels that prove to be truly unique and distinctive, will ultimately form the foundation of our limited production, ultra-premium Herrera label.*

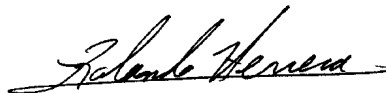
*Each wine will be named in honor of one of my children and will only be produced in years when I feel that the vintage warrants special recognition. Considering the painstaking nature of this process, production will generally be limited to approximately 100 cases.*

### *The Wine.....*

*Named in honor of my daughter Esmeralda, this wine is truly as distinctive as she is special.*

*Deep, dark and dramatic, you immediately sense that this is not a typical pinot noir. The aromas are robust and breathtaking while the mouth feel is expressive, and complex. A palate pleasing array of ripe red fruits, pomegranate & freshly turned earth showcase pinot noir's unique ability to truly convey its surroundings.*

*De Parte De Mi Familia, Para Su Familia!  
(from my family, to your family)*



### *The Facts*

Varietal

100 % Pinot Noir

Vineyard

Laguna Vineyard

Appellation

Russian River Valley



Cases Produced

100 cases

Aging

11 months

Type of Oak

100% New French