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# Special Feature!

## Joseph Jewell 2012 Pinot Noir Russian River Valley

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### WHAT'S A SPECIAL FEATURE?

While searching for exceptional wines to feature in one of our six wine club series, every so often we discover a **no-brainer, must-have-wine** that deserves extra special attention. Typically, these discoveries are *off-the-charts* delicious, offered at an *incredible value*, and with such *limited production* there just isn't enough to go around. Special Feature wines don't come along very often, but when they do, we assure you it's an opportunity you won't want to miss.

### JOSEPH JEWELL WINES

This *Special Feature* comes from Joseph Jewell, a duo of young, garage-style winemakers specializing in single-vineyard wines from Sonoma and Humboldt Counties. Founded by Micah Wirth and Adrian Manspeaker in 2006, Joseph Jewell Wines may have started in a small garage in Windsor, California, but today the ultra-boutique winery has an award-winning reputation and stands as one of the crown jewels (no pun intended) of Sonoma wine country.

Micah Wirth is the fourth generation in a family of wine pioneers. His father was the winemaker at Sonoma's Preston Vineyards, and starting at the age of 8, Micah would accompany him to work where he anxiously learned the basics of winemaking. Once he was old enough, Micah enrolled in enology classes at the heralded UC Davis campus, which only fueled his passion. After graduating and working a number of grueling 15-hour days at harvest internships, he landed a winemaking position at Gary Farrell Winery. Over the next seven years, Micah worked his way up to Cellar Master and gained the ambition he needed to start his own label.

In 2006, Micah teamed up with friend Adrian Manspeaker and founded Joseph Jewell. Adrian worked in construction with a business background, but he was always fascinated by winemaking and jumped at the chance to join the industry. The winery name, Joseph Jewell, is a combination of the duo's middle names (Micah *Joseph* Wirth and Adrian *Jewell* Manspeaker) and the coat of arms on the wine label depicts a mystical dragon which represents both of their Scottish heritages.

Since starting out, Micah and Adrian have remained dedicated to their original winery vision and still serve as the sole employees (and co-winemakers) of the operation. With a number of prestigious awards already to their name, they look forward to a promising future and building the growing Joseph Jewell brand.

### 2012 PINOT NOIR

An exceptional example of Russian River Valley Pinot Noir, this 2012 vintage blends fruit from three esteemed vineyards: Hallberg, Floodgate, and Appian Way. Bright ruby in color, the Joseph Jewell 2012 Pinot Noir offers aromas of black cherry, earthy black tea, dried mushrooms, red fruits, warm spices, and dried herbs. The palate is soft, subtle and delicate with flavors of red fruits, black tea, and an earthy dried leaf note before leading into a toasty, smokey finish. Aged 10 months in oak. Enjoy now until 2020.

Winery Direct: \$34/bottle

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