

Rob Sinskey believes that making luxuriously elegant wines and farming with earth friendly methods are not mutually exclusive. Rather, he has found that caring for the land organically, combined with conscientious business practices (including a solar powered winery, using biodiesel from used restaurant oil in tractors and trucks, and having sheep and chickens mow the cover crops) have helped define the well-crafted wines of RSV.



After 20 years, his philosophy that "Wine is not an athletic event" still holds true to this day. The goal has always been to make "pure wines of character that pair well with cuisine." RSV is spreading the gospel that organically grown grapes produce fine wines of great individuality.

RSV's holdings have grown from 15 to over 200 acres of CCOF certified organic and Demeter certified Biodynamic vineyards in five Carneros locations (Three Amigos, Vandal, OSR and Capa in Napa Carneros and the Scintilla Vineyard in Sonoma Carneros) with a small estate vineyard behind the winery in the Stags Leap District.

PINOT NOIR 'THREE AMIGOS'



Varietal/Blend: 100% Pinot Noir (heirloom selections and French clones)

Farming: certified CCOF organic / practicing biodynamic

Soil: volcanic characteristics / alluvial fan with complex stony, iron-rich soils

Exposure: NE

Harvest Technique: by hand at night

Fermentation: spontaneous fermentation in open-box fermenters and open-top stainless fermenters with hand punch-downs/cap irrigation

Aging: in French oak barrels (30% new) for 12 months / only the most expressive lots from Vandal Vineyard are selected for this bottling

Yeast: ambient

Alcohol: 13-14%

Fined: yes

Filtered: yes

Production #s: 14 Barrels

"The Vandal Vineyards is on the Napa side of the northern Carneros. As a matter of fact, it is the northern boundary of the AVA. Welling up out of the valley into the foothills of the Mayacamas Mountain range, RSV's organically farmed Vandal Vineyard is a gem of a property. The rolling hills provide beautiful northeast exposure to the morning sun with shade in the late afternoon. Ideal for a long growing season and fully developed flavor."

Country: United States

Region: Los Carneros - Napa Valley

Sub Region: Mayacamas Foothills

Vineyard: Vandal Vineyard