

# BRANHAM Estate Wines

In the Sonoma Coast (SC) appellation we have had the pleasure to meet some great people. One group of particular notariety consists of serious wine folk who decided to plant small vineyards dedicated to their favorite varietal ~ Pinot Noir. This wine is from the Gioia Vineyard near Occidental in the renowned SC Pinot Noir appellation. In the nose is the earthy, forest floor of our beloved Redwoods, replete with aeromatic mushrooms and loam. On the palate a surprise of cherries and raspberries, and true to its heritage as the ultimate food wine a long, silky finish.



## *Vineyards*

• Gioia ~ 100% Pinot Noir •

## *Harvest*

October 1, 2009

Brix 24.9 - 3.55 pH - .66 TA

## *Winemaking*

Fermented 12-days @ 80 degrees, Pressed at dryness to French Oak

Malolactic fermentation at pressing and completed in barrels

Aged Fifteen Months in 100% French Oak-15% New

## *Chemistry at Bottling*

14.0% Alcohol

3.58 pH - .62 TA

## *Release Information*

Bottling: February 2011

75 Cases