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The 2016 vintage marks my fifteenth year making wine.

My journey started in a cubicle in New York City. It morphed into internships in France and Australia. And now, I hold multiple winemaking positions in California; however, most importantly, I am the winemaker of Shane Wines – celebrating its tenth vintage.

Shane Wines began in 2006 with a few barrels. Today, my wines are sold throughout the country. I am proud of what we have achieved, but I take more pride in the friends we have made. Without the support and kindness of our customers, Shane Wines would be nowhere. I thank you all for your continued interest in my wines. Please enjoy our new releases.



2014 PINOT NOIR, THE CHARM
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY, 315 CASES
PRICE PER BOTTLE: \$42

The 2014 Charm is sourced from Benovia Winery's Martaella Vineyard and the Floodgate Vineyard. Both vineyards are meticulously farmed and provide the Charm with a complex selection of clones, soils, and expositions.

New this year is Martaella's supple Swan selection, muscular Martini selection, and seductive 828 clone. As in 2013, Floodgate Vineyard's old-vine Martini selection planted in 1969 creates the base of the 2014 Charm.

The combination of these two parcels creates a classic Russian River Valley Pinot Noir with vibrant red fruit character, seamless tannins, and dark fruit intensity.

Sixty percent Martaella Vineyard and forty percent Floodgate Vineyard, aged in forty percent new French oak for fourteen months, with twenty percent whole cluster inclusion, bottled without fining or filtration, the Charm is a combination of bright and dark fruits with firm structure and juicy acidity. 315 cases produced.

MY NOTES

A deep garnet color. Expressive aromatics of red apple, cherry pits, dried rose petals, and baking spices. Firm tannins support a broad mid-palate highlighted by ripe strawberry, star anise, and sarsaparilla. The lingering and juicy finish has focused accents of tangerine skin, plum, cola, and roasted rhubarb.

2014 SYRAH, THE VILLAIN
SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS, 120 CASES
PRICE PER BOTTLE: \$34

The axiom "wine is made in the vineyard" is again apparent in the Villain. Without question, my winemaking benefits greatly from the dedication of the studious duo of Mark Pisoni and Gary Franscioni.

This year, the Villain's vineyard composition changed. Gone is Susan's Hill at Pisoni Vineyard and in its place is Soberanes Vineyard. Soberanes is a contiguous parcel to Garys' Vineyard; its addition has helped drive the Villain further toward my Northern Rhône roots.

A blend of Soberanes Vineyard (fifty percent) and Garys' Vineyard (fifty percent), fermented with one hundred percent whole clusters, aged for fourteen months in twenty percent new French oak, and bottled without fining or filtration, the Villain Syrah expresses the perfect balance between savory and seductive. 120 cases produced.

MY NOTES

An inky black color. Savory aromatics of white pepper, pine needles, blueberry, and bacon fat. Robust tannins buttress the dense mid-palate of boysenberry, tobacco leaf, and graphite. Complex and deep finish of crushed blackberries, venison, sage, and iodine.

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