

# 2009 Elysian Pinot Noir

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**Santa Rita Hills**  
California



## THE WINE:

100% Pinot Noir from the sustainable farmed Evans Ranch Vineyard. 109 cases produced by winemaker Nico Azios from the stellar 2009 vintage.

## THE ESTATE:

Elysian, meaning blissful and delightful, from the Greek concept of afterlife filled with pleasure. The Evans Ranch Vineyard sits on the western edge of the Santa Rita Hills Sub-AVA in the Central Coast. Famous for their Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes, this vineyard is often shrouded in morning fog which burns off to warm, sun-filled afternoons tempered by Pacific breezes in the late afternoon; creating ideal Pinot Noir conditions. Sustainably farmed with attention to detail fruit from Evans Ranch is highly sought after.

## ~Tasting Notes~

**Color:** Deep garnet red.

**Aromas:** Ripe raspberries and concentrated strawberry also displaying brown sugar and baking spices.

**Flavors:** Plush and lavish flavors of raspberry preserves, subtle chocolate and molasses-like sweet spice mingle with black tea and sandalwood. Textured and soft with great acidity and silky tannins.

**Food Pairing:** A brown-sugar, ginger and soy glazed salmon with red fingerling potatoes brushed with sea salt, olive oil and rosemary.