



**Name of Wine:** Solindo Pinot Noir  
**Producer:** Urbanite Cellars  
**Region:** Los Carneros, Sonoma County CA  
**Vintage:** 2010  
**Grape Varieties:** 97% Pinot Noir, 3% Chardonnay

### **Grape Source:**

**Vineyards:** The grapes for Solindo come from the Carneros region just North of San Francisco Bay. This foggy, coastal region produces top quality Pinot Noir. Fruit for Solindo comes from the Robledo Family's Rancho Maria and Rancho Rincon vineyards.

**Soil:** Mixed clay and bay sediments.

### **Vinification:**

**Harvest:** For Solindo we hand harvest the grapes early to maintain a lean focus, with less ripeness and alcohol in the finished wine as a result.

**Maceration/Fermentation:** Whole cluster and de-stemmed Pinot Noir (with a small addition of Chardonnay) is crushed and macerated briefly on the skins. Spontaneous fermentation with native yeasts completes the transformation of grapes into wine. The young wine ages in second and third use French oak barrels for 11 months prior to bottling.

### **Other:**

**Alcohol Volume:** 13.5%

**Format:** 2010 Solindo Pinot Noir in regular bottles as well as a limited number of 5-gallon kegs for our wine-on-tap customers.

### **Tasting Notes:**

This is a textbook Carneros Pinot Noir, combining bright garnet color, youthful berry fruit, and floral perfume on a gently tannic frame. It is a lively, vivacious wine.

### **History:**

Based in San Francisco, Urbanite Cellars is the culmination of importer Luis Moya's lifelong dream. Born in Havana Cuba, Luis fled to the US in 1980, spending time in Miami before moving to New York where he began his career in wine. He worked at several landmark New York restaurants, including Windows on the World, before embarking on his import and wholesale career. In 2004 Luis moved to California with his family and developed strong relationships with winemakers and grape growers throughout the state and it rekindled his passion to make his own wine.

Solindo Pinot Noir is made by the combined efforts of three men: Luis Moya is the man with a dream, Kenny Likitprakong is the winemaker and Francisco Robledo provides the fruit from his family's vineyard.

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