

Pinot's Rising Stars of 2006



Kenneth is the winemaker for The Donum Estate and Robert Stemmler Wines

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Kenneth Juhasz (pronounced "uhaas") talks a lot about dualism in his winemaking – maintaining the dualism between Pinot Noir's masculine and feminine character; the dualism of sourcing grapes from the Sonoma Coast AVA in California as well as the Willamette Valley in Oregon and his dual roles as winemaker for The Donum Estate in Carneros and his own label, Auteur. Kenneth made his way through school in North Carolina working in fine restaurants and a local wine shop. He headed west to the Willamette Valley to pursue his growing passion for Pinot Noir. Today, he's able to pursue that passion working with The Donum Estate's terrific Carneros fruit, as well as his Auteur project that he works on with his wife and winery partner, Laura. His Pinots are deep, silky, full of complexity and yet also extremely elegant.