

# Phillips Hill



## PHILLIPS HILL ESTATES

Phillips Hill 2005 Oppenlander Vineyard  
Mendocino Pinot Noir

<b>Vineyard</b>	Oppenlander Vineyard, Comptche, California, located eight miles from Mendocino Coast, as the crow flies
<b>AVA</b>	Mendocino
<b>Vines</b>	Dijon Clones – Pommard, 114, 115, 667, Self-rooted, planted 1998, 1999
<b>Soil</b>	Oppenlander (510) heavy clay loam, unique to Comptche, occurs in natural open prairie first settled in the 1860's
<b>Harvest</b>	September 24, 2005
<b>Release</b>	March 2007
<b>Winery</b>	Phillips Hill Estates Philo Greenwood Road, Philo, CA
<b>Winemaker</b>	John Pepe/Toby Hill
<b>Barrels</b>	Aged in 100% French Oak, 60 gallon Burgundy barrels, 40 new, 20% 1 year-old, 40% older
<b>Production</b>	200 Cases
<b>Alc%</b>	14.1
<b>pH</b>	3.71
<b>TA</b>	0.545 g/100ml
<b>Notes</b>	Located just beyond the famed Pinot Noir Region of Anderson Valley, the region around this small hamlet is the latest outstanding Pinot region to emerge in Mendocino County. The Shandel family planted the 18 acres of Dijon Pinot Noir on a large opening in the redwood and fir forest near their home. Naming it "Oppenlander" vineyard after their ancestors who homesteaded 640 acres in the 1860s, the vineyard is now in production, producing terrific fruit. The wine is uncommonly dark for Pinot Noir, highly extracted, concentrated and very ripe with cherry, dark berries, French oak, sweet vanilla, tasty nutmeats and spicy clove.