

WILLIAMS SELYEM



2014 Westside Road Neighbors Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The 2014 Westside Road Neighbors sings with brilliant red fruit notes of red raspberry and cranberry jumping from the glass. The signature pencil lead and mineral-like complexion are very forward, owing to the rocky, gravelly soils on the hillsides of Westside Road. In addition to the brightness of the fruit, there is a meaty quality which the Pommard clone often brings to this cuvée. Refreshing flavors of Bing cherry and raspberry cling to the palate with tenacity. The mid-palate is subtly smoky and earthy with a touch of tamarind that adds to the complexity. The tannins are robust and compact but incredibly polished all the way to the mineral finish. The sheer density of this wine will require patience.

THE VINEYARDS

The Pinot Noir for this blend was sourced from neighboring vineyards along Westside Road: Allen, Bacigalupi, Bucher, Flax, Rochioli Riverblock, and the Williams Selyem Estate.

HARVEST 2014

After two stellar vintages, 2014 completes the trifecta of high quality growing seasons where the wines exhibit purity of place with generous fruit and elegant textures. The season began as one of the driest winters on record with only 40% of normal rainfall by mid-season. April rains replenished the soil's moisture profile to re-invigorate the plants, boost growth, and help set a bountiful crop. The harvest season was near perfect with warm temperatures allowing for a leisurely picking schedule. 2014 is a superb vintage of compelling nature and will develop well with long range cellaring.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 62% new, 38% 1 year old

Barrel Aged: 16 months

pH: 3.47

TA: 0.60g/100mL

Alc: 13.8%

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