

WILLIAMS SELYEM



2011 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Most of this fruit is grown on our Drake Estate Vineyard layered with vineyards from along Westside & Eastside Roads. The nose is redolent of ripe blackberries, plums, toffee and crème brûlée. The rich and full tannins accentuate the blackberry and dark plummy fruits and complement the creamy, silky finish. The concentrated dark fruits and spicy flavors truly express the classic finesse and depth of complexity that you would expect from a classic Russian River Valley Pinot Noir.

—*Director of Winemaking Bob Cabral*

THE VINEYARDS

The Pinot Noir for this blend was primarily sourced from our Drake Estate Vineyard and our Williams Selyem Estate Vineyard.

HARVEST 2011

The 2011 vintage was marked by another cool year that produced wines with tremendous purity and depth. Similar in many ways to 2010 – without the extremes - it had very low yields and below average cooler weather. But, the growing season in 2011 was much more consistent with gentle warming days and very cold summer nights. As a consequence, the vintage produced wines with incredible purity, remarkable acid and tannin balance, while expressing the uniqueness of each individual site and region. The signature of this vintage is one where the wines have bright fruit qualities, sound acidities and elegant tannin profiles. It is truly a vintage worth seeking.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 42% new, 35% 1 year old, 23% 2 year old

Barrel Aged: 10 months

pH: 3.59

TA: 0.66g/100ml

Alc: 13.6%

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