

WILLIAMS SELYEM



2011 Terra de Promissio Vineyard Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

This is a new offering from the cool Petaluma wind gap area of the Sonoma Coast. The rich clay/loam soils and long growing season of 2011 produced an extraordinary wine of texture and complexity. The aromas of ripe Bing cherries, sassafras, Morel mushrooms, red plums and cappuccino fill your glass. Rich, earthy tannins coat the palate finishing with flavors of ripe red fruits, fresh truffles, sage and savory acidity.

—Director of Winemaking Bob Cabral

THE VINEYARD

The Terra de Promissio Vineyard (which means "the land of promise") is owned by Charles and Diana Karren, and is located in the southeast part of Petaluma. Fog influenced and often windy, Terra de Promissio is definitely in a cool region of the Sonoma Coast appellation. Clones 777 and 115 are planted on gently sloping hillsides in loam and alluvial type soils. The long growing season and moderate temperatures produce wines with wonderfully balanced tannins and acidity.

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: 64% new, 36% 1 year old

Barrel Aged: 15 months

pH: 3.54

TA: 0.62g/100ml

Alc: 13.5%

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