

WILLIAMS SELYEM



2005 Allen Vineyard Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Bright Maraschino cherries, strawberries, rose petal, ginger, violets and root beer aromas. Concentrated raspberry and strawberry jam flavors end up lush and sweet in the mouth. The fruity finish is complemented by a toasty vanilla/crème brûlée-like texture explosion in your mouth, along with creamy textured tannins that finish long across your palate.

—Winemaker Bob Cabral

THE VINEYARD

The Allen Pinot Noir Vineyard surrounds our winemaking facility. This Russian River Valley hillside vineyard was planted in the early 1970's, and produces low yields of exceptional quality Pinot Noir.

HARVEST 2005

Following a labor-intensive growing season due to early spring rains, a cool summer and mild fall weather extended the ripening season in 2005. This long, slow maturation period permitted flavors and color to develop to high levels, and the absence of weather threats or temperature extremes allowed fruit to be picked at optimum ripeness. Vineyards unaffected by bloom failure, particularly Pinot noir and Chardonnay in Russian River Valley, enjoyed a bountiful crop. The fruit quality was extremely high, contributing to balanced and elegant wines with concentrated flavors and intense color.

TECHNICAL NOTES

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

Barrel Aged: 15 months

pH: 3.57

TA: 0.52g/100ml

Alc: 14.2%

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