

# WILLIAMS SELYEM



## 2011 Burt Williams' Morning Dew Ranch Pinot Noir

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Our second vintage from this cooler site within the Anderson Valley, the wine exhibits notes of pie cherries, fennel, fresh cardamom and toasted vanilla beans. Vibrant strawberry flavors and supple tannins fill your mouth with a long, silky finish. Yields were quite low in 2011 and the wine exhibits true site expression with added finesse. The juicy acidity only adds to its age-ability.

—*Director of Winemaking Bob Cabral*

### THE VINEYARD

This 40-acre property in the "deep end" of the Anderson Valley has 13 acres planted to Pinot Noir. In 2000, the land was cleared and planted to cuttings from the Rochioli vineyard, DRC suitcase selections from adjacent vineyards, clone 23, and Dijon clones 115, 777 and 828. The vineyard has Franciscan soils, clay underlain with sandstone.

### 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: 67% new oak, 33% 1 year

Barrel Aged: 14 months

pH: 3.62

TA: 0.60g/100mL

Alc: 13.5%

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