



WINE

Janus Pinot Noir

VINTAGE

2009

APPELLATION

Willamette Valley

VINEYARDS

80% Brooks Estate;
10% Temperance Hill;
6% Dukes; 4% Muska

PRODUCTION

1000 cases

ALCOHOL

13.8%

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$35. | bottle

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ABOUT

IN ROMAN MYTHOLOGY, JANUS IS THE GOD FOR NEW BEGINNINGS, AS WELL AS ENDINGS, THE FUTURE, THE PAST AND DOORWAYS. JANUS IS THE GOD OF BALANCE. THE ULTIMATE EXPRESSION OF PINOT NOIR! JANUS IS OUR FLAGSHIP...THE RICHEST, MOST VIBRANT AND INTENSE BLEND THAT WE PRODUCE.

WINEMAKING NOTES

THE GRAPES WERE HAND SORTED AND 100% DESTEMMED. THEY FERMENTED IN INDIVIDUAL LOTS AND WENT THROUGH A COLD SOAK FOR 7-20 DAYS. AFTER RACKING TO BARREL, THE WINES AGED FOR 18 MONTHS IN 25% NEW FRENCH OAK WITH A DIVERSE COOPERAGE PROGRAM: SYLVAIN, ROUSSEAU, CADUS, BILLON, GILLET, SAINT MARTIN AND DAMY. THESE BARRELS HAVE AN ELEMENT OF EARTH TO THEM, WITH COMPONENTS OF MINERALITY AND COMPOST WHICH ADD BALANCE AND RICHNESS TO THE BLEND. THIS WINE WAS FILTERED.

TASTING NOTES

THIS IS A FRESH CLASSIC PINOT NOIR THAT TRULY REPRESENTS THE UNIQUE FLAVORS OF THE WINE COUNTRY HERE IN OREGON. AS YOU POUR THE FIRST GLASS YOU'RE DRAWN TO THE VIBRANT GARNET RED COLOR WITH JUST A HINT OF A BROWN OUTER RING. THEN YOU GO EVEN FURTHER INTO THE GLASS AS THE FIRST HINT OF ITS SUCCULENT AROMAS TINGLE YOUR SENSES. YOU INITIALLY GET A JUICY FRESH FRUIT OF BLACK CHERRY, BLACKBERRY AND RASPBERRY. BUT AS YOU BREATHE IN THE MORE COMPLEX AROMAS DEEPER YOU GET MINERALITY, SPICE, BLACK CURRENT, AND A PLEASANTLY LIGHT SMOKINESS. THE AROMAS ARE SO DELICIOUS YOU WISH YOU COULD ENJOY IT FOR HOURS BUT THE DESIRE TO TASTE IS TOO MUCH TO RESIST. THEN WHEN YOU FINALLY GET THAT FIRST SIP YOUR FLOODED WITH AN ELEGANT AND VIBRANT FRESH AND JUICY FRUIT BURSTING OF CHERRY, AND BLACKBERRY WITH JUST THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF ACIDITY. WITH A LITTLE AERATION MORE COMPLEX FLAVORS COME OUT WITH AN INCREASED ACIDITY, BAKING SPICE AND WET STONE. THEN YOU GET MORE OF A LEECHY, TART RASPBERRY AND PEPPER FINISH THAT STARTS OUT TART AND ACIDIC THEN FINISHES AND BALANCES WITH A MOUTH WATERING SWEETNESS FROM A MAGNIFICENTLY SWEET TANNIN STRUCTURE. THE JUICY FRUIT COUPLED WITH THE TARTNESS AND ACIDITY WHICH MAKES THIS A PERFECTLY DELICIOUS CHOICE TO DRINK NOW. AS GOOD AS IT IS RIGHT NOW IT HAS JUST THE RIGHT BALANCE OF ACIDITY, TANNINS, AND FRUIT CHARACTER TO AGE GRACEFULLY TO BE ENJOYED FOR YEARS TO COME. SO COME AND ENJOY SOME WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY NOW AND TAKE SOME HOME TO WATCH IT AGE AND MATURE TO ITS PEAK! CHEERS!



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