



WINE

Willamette Valley Pinot Noir

VINTAGE

2010

APPELLATION

Willamette Valley

VINEYARDS

Muska 32%, Momtazi 30%,
Willakia 24%, Dukes 10%,
Sunny Mtn 4%

PRODUCTION

1250 cases

ALCOHOL

13.7%

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$25. | bottle

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ABOUT

THIS BLEND SHOWCASES THE DIVERSITY OF THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY. IT INCLUDES VINEYARDS IN THE NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST AND CENTRAL PARTS OF THE VALLEY. AN EXPRESSION OF WHAT THE REGION'S TERROIR CAN RENDER AND A MANIFESTATION OF THE VINTAGE.

WINEMAKING NOTES

THE GRAPES WERE HAND SORTED AND 100% DESTEMMED. THEY FERMENTED IN INDIVIDUAL LOTS AND WENT THROUGH A COLD SOAK FOR 10-15 DAYS. AFTER RACKING TO BARREL, THE WINES AGED FOR 10 MONTHS IN 20% NEW FRENCH OAK W/SOME HUNGARIAN OAK. COOPERS: SYLVAIN, ROUSSEAU, SAINT MARTIN, DAMY, BILLON, CADUS, GILLET, GAMBA AND VADAI. FOR THIS BLEND, WE LOOK FOR LOTS THAT ARE VERY FRUIT FORWARD WITH SOFTER, LESS AGGRESSIVE TANNINS THAT PROVIDE A PLEASANT FINISH. THIS WINE IS UNFINED AND FILTERED.

TASTING NOTES

WHEN YOU FIRST POUR IT INTO THE GLASS THE GLOW OF DARK BRICK RED RADIATES. AS YOU EXAMINE THE COLOR YOU CAN'T HELP BUT NOTICE THE DARK RED CENTER WITH JUST A TOUCH OF A BLACK RED HUE. AS YOU GLANCE CLOSER TO THE RIM OF THE GLASS YOU NOTICE A LIGHTER RED COLOR WITH AN EVER SO SLIGHT HINT OF BROWNING. INTOXICATING AROMAS OF BLACK CHERRY, BLACK BERRY, RASPBERRY, AND A HINT OF BLUEBERRY POUR FROM THE GLASS. AS YOU ALLOW THE WINE TO SIT AND OPEN UP MORE COMPLEX AROMAS SPICE, MINERALITY, AND A HINT OF TOASTY OAK EMERGE. ON THE PALATE BURSTS OF FRESH FRUIT EXPLODE. A SOFT VELVETY MOUTH FEEL COMBINE WITH BLACKBERRY, RASPBERRY, AND BLACK CURRENT TO GIVE A TRULY MEMORABLE FIRST IMPRESSION. IN THE MID-PALATE YOU GET MORE MINERAL, EARTHY AND WET STONE CHARACTERISTICS. AS THE FLAVORS FROM THE MID-PALATE MOVE INTO THE FINISH THERE IS SOME NICE DRY TANNINS COMBINED WITH A NICE BALANCE OF ACIDITY. THIS ALL LEADS TO A NICE LONG FINISH WITH A SLIGHT TARTNESS. THIS IS A WELL BALANCED WINE TO BE ENJOYED NOW WITH FRIENDS OR HELD ON TO FOR A WHILE TO ALLOW IT TO MATURE AND COME INTO ITS OWN.



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