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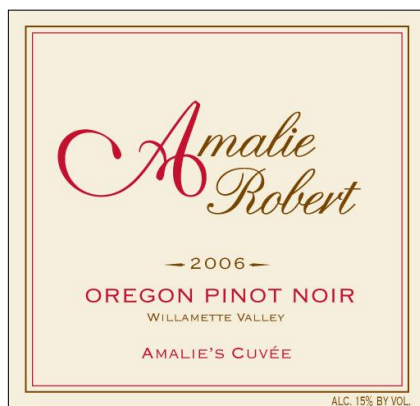
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2006 AMALIE'S CUVÉE PINOT NOIR



AMALIE'S CUVÉE IS AN EXCLUSIVE BARREL SELECTION OF PINOT NOIR REPRESENTING THE UNIQUE QUALITIES OF OUR VINEYARD. EVERY BLOCK WITHIN OUR 35 ACRE VINEYARD IS INDIVIDUALLY HAND HARVESTED AT ITS PEAK OF FLAVOR MATURITY AND INTENSITY. BLOCK BY BLOCK, THE FRUIT IS FERMENTED BY INDIGENOUS YEAST IN SMALL 1.5 TON LOTS AND MATURED FOR OVER 12 MONTHS IN FRENCH OAK BARRELS.

AMALIE'S CUVÉE SHOWCASES THE ELEGANCE AND FINESSE OF OUR VINEYARD. DENA LOOKS FOR BARRELS THAT OFFER COMPLEXITY AND INTRIGUING NUANCES WITH LAYERS OF FRUIT AND REFINED TEXTURE. WHOLE

CLUSTER STEM TANNINS EVOLVE AS THE WINE GRACEFULLY MATURES. THIS WINE'S POWER IS IN ITS SEDUCTIVE ENCHANTMENT.

FROM VINTAGE TO VINTAGE, WE STRIVE TO REVEAL THE ELEGANCE AND GRACE AND INHERENT BEAUTY OF OREGON PINOT NOIR. AMALIE'S CUVÉE IS THIS BLEND.

TASTING NOTES: RUBY RED IN THE GLASS LEADS TO AROMAS OF CRUSHED WILD RASPBERRIES, DRIED CHERRIES AND FRESHLY TILLED VINEYARD SOIL. ON THE PALATE CANDIED MONTMORENCY CHERRIES OVERLAY A SWEET CORE OF CONCENTRATED RED CURRANTS LACED WITH FIVE SPICE. THE FINISH IS MOUTH COATING TANNINS PUNCTUATED BY VIBRANT ACIDITY PROVIDING BALANCE TO THE MID-PALATE RICHNESS. UNFINED AND UNFILTERED.

AMALIE ROBERT ESTATE WAS FOUNDED BY DENA DREWS AND ERNIE PINK IN 1999. DENA AND ERNIE LEFT THE CORPORATE WORLD BEHIND AND BEGAN A JOURNEY TO GROW PINOT NOIR IN THE LAST BEST PLACE ON EARTH.

vinous	92 pts
Amalie Robert Estate 2006 Pinot Noir Amalie's Cuvée Willamette Valley	
Oregon, Oregon Red wine from United States	
Drinking window:	
Vivid red. Intensely perfumed bouquet displays fresh raspberry, cherry, rose and magnolia scents, along with a suave, smoky mineral underpinning. The red fruit repeats in the mouth, picking up candied flowers and licorice with air. Impressively pure, with excellent finishing sweetness and persistence. As alluring as this wine is today, I'd give it another three or four years in the cellar.	
Josh Raynolds, May 2009	
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"...FOR FANS OF THE DELICATE, GRACEFUL SCHOOL OF PINOT NOIR, WHICH IS DECIDEDLY THE STYLE THAT'S EMPHASIZED HERE. A WIDE RANGE OF WINES, ALMOST ENTIRELY PINOT NOIR, ARE MADE FROM THE 35 ACRES OF ESTATE VINES, AND DREWS AND PINK AREN'T AFRAID TO HOLD THEM BACK FOR LATE OR SUCCESSIVE RELEASES DEPENDING ON THE PERSONALITY OF EACH INDIVIDUAL BOTTLING. IN WARM VINTAGES THE EFFECTS OF THE WEATHER EXPRESS THEMSELVES ON THE WINES HERE, BUT RARELY DO THEY HEAD INTO DARK FRUIT TERRITORY..."

- JOSH RAYNOLDS, VINOUS, DECEMBER 2016