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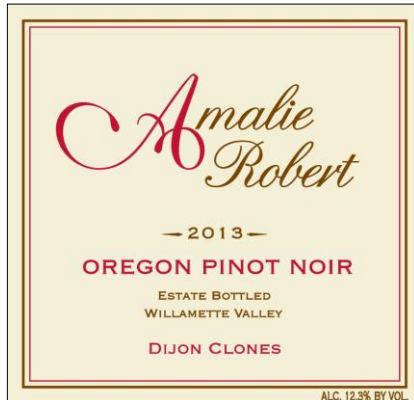
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2013 DIJON CLONES PINOT NOIR



DIJON CLONES IS A BLEND OF PINOT NOIR CLONES REPRESENTING A COLLAGE OF VINEYARD BLOCKS. AS WITH ALL OF OUR BLOCKS OF PINOT NOIR, THESE VINES ARE INDIVIDUALLY HAND HARVESTED AT THEIR PEAK OF FLAVOR MATURITY AND INTENSITY. THE FRUIT WAS FERMENTED IN SMALL LOTS AND THEN MATURED IN FRENCH OAK BARRELS FROM A SELECTION OF COOPERS.

THE 2013 DIJON CLONES PINOT NOIR IS A BLEND OF 7 DIJON CLONES SOURCED FROM 12 DRY FARMED BLOCKS. MUCH LIKE AN INDIVIDUAL INSTRUMENT IN A SYMPHONY, EACH BARREL CONTRIBUTES ITS OWN UNIQUE CHARACTER TO THE FINAL COMPOSITION.

AS IS THE CASE WITH ALL OF OUR PINOT NOIRS, THIS BOTTLING IS 100% ESTATE GROWN AND HAND HARVESTED FRUIT. THE INDIVIDUAL BLOCKS WERE FERMENTED WITH WHOLE CLUSTERS AND INDIGENOUS YEAST FROM THE VINEYARD. IN THE CELLAR, WE AGED THE INDIVIDUAL LOTS IN FRENCH OAK BARRELS FOR A MINIMUM OF 12 MONTHS. THE BLEND IS A REFLECTION OF OUR SOILS, MICROCLIMATES AND STEWARDSHIP OF THE LAND.

TASTING NOTES: GRAND RED. ELEGANT AND STRIKINGLY PURE RED RASPBERRY, BLACK TEA LEAF AND STRAWBERRY MÉLANGE CAPTIVATE YOUR ATTENTION AS DOES A SILK SCARF FLOWING IN THE AFTERNOON BREEZE. AN ARTICULATE AND SCINTILLATING PALATE OF VIBRANT RED FRUITS IS HARNESSSED WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF DELINEATING ACIDITY AND INVIGORATING STEM TANNINS, AKA: THE SIGNATURE AMALIE ROBERT FINISH. 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.

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Amalie Robert Estate 2013 Pinot Noir Dijon Clones	
Willamette Valley, Oregon	
Red wine from United States	
Drinking window: 2019 - 2025	
Vivid red. Smoky red berries and cherry cola on the pungent, mineral-tinged nose. Pliant and seamless in texture; a spicy element emerges on the back half and adds bite to sweet raspberry, cherry and floral pastille flavors. Sappy and very well-balanced, displaying impressive depth for the vintage. Closes long, floral and seamless, with supple tannins adding gentle grip.	
Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: October 2016	
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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 REYNOLDS, VINOUS, DECEMBER 2016