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2012 POMMARD CLONE PINOT NOIR



POMMARD CLONE IS A BARREL SELECTION OF OUR MOST INTRIGUING ESTATE GROWN POMMARD CLONE.

THE PIONEERS WHO BEGAN PLANTING PINOT NOIR IN THE NORTH WILLAMETTE VALLEY BEGAN PRIMARILY WITH 2 CLONES OF PINOT NOIR – POMMARD (FRENCH, OF COURSE) AND WADENSWIL (SWISS.) AS THE VINES MATURED, HIGH QUALITY WINES FROM BOTH CLONES WERE GROWN IN THE VALLEY, BUT THE POMMARD CLONE WAS GAINING WIDESPREAD ACCLAIM AND NOTORIETY.

THERE IS A VERY GOOD REASON THE POMMARD CLONE WAS CATCHING ON. THE POMMARD CLONE REPRESENTS ALL THAT IS INHERENTLY BEAUTIFUL IN PINOT NOIR. IT IS GROWN ON ALL TYPES OF SOILS AND IS UNIQUE IN ITS ABILITY TO REFLECT VINEYARD SPECIFIC SPLendor, NUANCES AND VINTAGE. WHILE THE EYES ARE THE WINDOW INTO THE SOUL, THE POMMARD CLONE EXPRESSES THE INHERENT BEAUTY OF OUR SITE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE VINTAGE.

TASTING NOTES: DEEP POMMARD RED. HEADY AROMAS OF BLACK RASPBERRY COMPOTE, WILD CHERRY, FRESHLY TILLED EARTH, DARJEELING TEA, CORIANDER AND GINGER LINGER. AN INTRIGUING EXPERIENCE OF INTERTWINED VIVACIOUS FRUIT CHARACTER, ELEGANT TEXTURE, RACY ACIDITY AND FINE GRAINED STEM TANNIN PROJECTS ONTO THE PALATE. THE TIMELESS AFTERGLOW ECHOES THE INHERENT VIRTUE OF POMMARD. 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 2012 Pinot Noir Pommard Clone

Willamette Valley, Oregon
Red wine from United States
Drinking window: 2018 - 2023

Bright red. Mineral-accented black raspberry and cherry cola aromas are sharpened by a mineral nuance and a hint of Asian spices. Juicy and expansive on the palate, offering alluringly sweet red and dark berry flavors that deepen slowly and expand with air. Shows superb clarity on a long, spice-tinged finish that features harmonious tannins and an echo of spicecake.

Josh Raynolds. 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 RAYNOLDS, VINOUS, DECEMBER 2016

2012 POMMARD CLONE PINOT NOIR ACCOLADES
93 POINTS – VINOUS, OCTOBER 2015

