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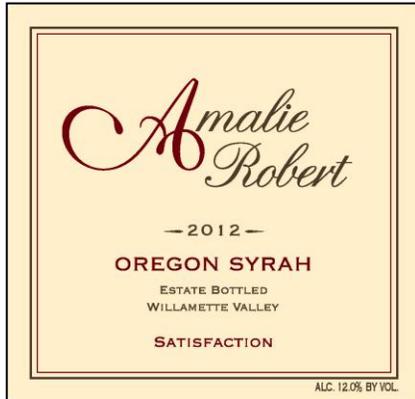
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2012 SATISFACTION SYRAH



SATISFACTION SYRAH IS 100% AMALIE ROBERT ESTATE GROWN SYRAH. AMONG OUR 35 ACRES OF PINOT NOIR, WE HAVE PLANTED 0.80 ACRES (1,188 VINES TO BE EXACT) OF SYRAH. THIS PLANTING REPRESENTS 4 CLONES SELECTED FOR THE COOL NORTHERN RHÔNE AREA OF CÔTE RÔTIE, AND NOW DALLAS, OREGON.

WE GROW SYRAH RIGHT ALONGSIDE PINOT NOIR, AND MOST OF THE VINEYARD WORK IS VERY SIMILAR. THE PRIMARY DIFFERENCE IS THAT WE HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL NOVEMBER TO HARVEST. WE THINK IT IS WORTH THE WAIT. SYRAH IS A VERY ADAPTIVE VARIETY, AND MUCH LIKE PINOT NOIR, REFLECTS ITS GROWING CONDITIONS.

SYRAH IS GROWN IN THE HOTTEST PARTS OF THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE WHERE IT IS KNOWN AS “SHIRAZ” AND A BIT FARTHER SOUTH INTO THE COOL CLIMATE OF NEW ZEALAND AS WELL. THE ENTIRE WEST COAST OF THE UNITED STATES GROWS SYRAH FROM CALIFORNIA, TO THE WARM AREAS OF EASTERN WASHINGTON AND NOW VERY SMALL PLANTINGS IN OREGON’S WILLAMETTE VALLEY.

TASTING NOTES: EXUBERANT RED LEADS YOU TO GRILLED BACON WRAPPED BLACK OLIVES ON A FRESHLY TARRED COUNTRY ROAD ADJOINING A LAVENDER FARM ON A WARM AFTERNOON. A GENTLE BREEZE DIRECTS PRECISION TO INTENTION AND THE UNIQUE RIPENING CURVE OF COOL CLIMATE SYRAH IS REVEALED. LISSOME YET ASSERTIVE FLAVORS PERMEATE AND ARE BUTTRESSED WITH FOCUSED ACIDITY. EVER PRESENT STEM TANNINS ASSERT DISCIPLINE AND FORETELL OF A RETURN TO THIS PLACE BEFRIENDED BY THE PASSAGE OF TIME.

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.

"...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

2011 SATISFACTION SYRAH ACCOLADES
91 POINTS — THE WINE ADVOCATE, MARCH 2015

