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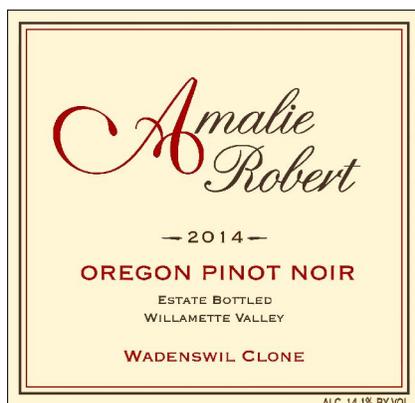
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2014 WADENSWIL CLONE PINOT NOIR



WADENSWIL CLONE IS A 2 BARREL SELECTION OF ESTATE GROWN WADENSWIL CLONE PINOT NOIR.

WHEN PLANNING OUR VINEYARD, WE WERE PARTICULARLY INTRIGUED WITH THE WADENSWIL CLONE WINES WE HAD EXPERIENCED FROM SEDIMENTARY SOIL VINEYARDS. THE FRAGRANT, INTENSE, LASER FOCUSED FRUIT AROMAS WERE RELENTLESS. IT IS NO ACCIDENT, BUT A STRATEGIC CHOICE THAT WE HAVE SEVERAL OF OUR SEDIMENTARY SOIL VINEYARD BLOCKS PLANTED TO WADENSWIL CLONE.

IT MAY SEEM THAT WE GO TO A GOOD DEAL OF TROUBLE TO EXPLAIN AN INCONSEQUENTIAL EVENT, BUT IT IS NOT SO. WADENSWIL CLONE PINOT NOIR GROWN ON OUR

SEDIMENTARY SOILS IS, FOR US, WHAT PINOT NOIR IS ALL ABOUT. THE FULL RANGE OF PINOT NOIR AROMAS AND FLAVORS ALONG WITH A DIZZYING ARRAY OF MID-PALATE TEXTURES AND REVERBERATING ACIDITY DEFINE THE WADENSWIL CLONE.

TASTING NOTES: PLUM CRAZY - REDLINE RED. THE NAMESAKE BARREL BEHIND THIS WINE IS NUMBER 426 AND IT HELD 225 LITERS OF THE MOST PERFUMED, EVOCATIVE, CARNAL, AND FULL THROTTLE WADENSWIL CLONE PINOT NOIR (WITH "SUREGRIP" TANNINS) WE HAVE EVER HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO GROW, HARVEST, FERMENT, BARREL AGE, BLEND AND BOTTLE. FOR FARMIN' OUT LOUD - THIS WINE HAS TORQUE! SOME OF YOU GEARHEADS OUT THERE (AND THOSE WHO SUFFER THEM) MAY WELL RECALL ANOTHER 426 THAT WAS TOPPED WITH HEMISPHERICAL COMBUSTION CHAMBERS AND POSSESSED THE UNIQUE ABILITY TO STRIKE FEAR INTO THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF MANY A STREET RACER AND THAT ENGINE DISPLACED JUST 7 LITERS! IF ONLY PRINCE WAS A MOPAR MAN... "LITTLE RED HEMI." 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.

"...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

vinous	93 pts
Amalie Robert Estate 2014 Pinot Noir Wadenswil Clone	
Willamette Valley, Oregon Red wine from United States Drinking window: 2021 - 2028	
Limpid ruby-red. Highly perfumed aromas of black raspberry, cherry cola, exotic spices and sandalwood pick up a floral overtone as the wine stretches out. Palate-staining red berry preserve, blood orange, rose pastille and spicecake flavors become deeper with air while maintaining vivacity. Finishes on a suave floral note, displaying superb clarity, lingering spiciness and silky tannins that merge smoothly into the energetic fruit.	
Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: September 2017	
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