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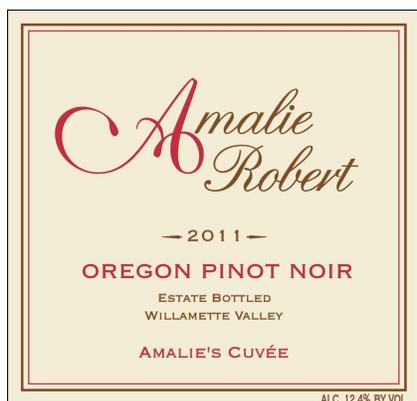
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## 2011 AMALIE'S CUVÉE PINOT NOIR



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: RIVERSIDE RED INTRODUCES A SULTRY AND SAVORY BOUQUET OF COCOA DUSTED ALMONDS, GINGER, CARMELIZED BROWN SUGAR AND FRESHLY CRUSHED BLACK RASPBERRIES. A LIVELY PALATE EXPRESSION REVEALS RICH RED FRUITS SUPPORTED BY STEM TANNINS THAT PROVIDE PRESENCE WITHOUT THE BURDEN OF OVER EXTRACTION. THE CURTAINS DO IN FACT MATCH THE CARPET. THE TRANSITION TO THE TEASING FINISH IS CONVEYED THROUGH A GENTLE SQUEEZE FROM THE VELVET GLOVE OF ACIDITY. 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*

<b>vinous</b>	92 pts
Amalie Robert Estate 2011 Pinot Noir Amalie's Cuvée	
Willamette Valley, Oregon Red wine from United States Drinking window: 2018 - 2022	
Limpid red. Fresh redcurrant and strawberry aromas are complemented by suggestions of Asian spices, fresh rose and smoky minerals on the exotically perfumed nose. Lively and pure on the palate, offering bitter cherry and red berry flavors that spread out slowly on the back half. Made in a graceful, fat-free style, showing excellent focus on the long, gently tannic finish.	
Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: August 2015	
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