

Archery Summit PRESS

2006 Premier Cuvée Pinot Noir

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

May/June, 2008

89 Medium red. Fresh raspberry, blackberry and Asian spice aromas convey ripeness and clarity. Sappy red and dark berry flavors offer good palate coverage and a bright note of orange peel. The spice character returns on the moderately long, sweet finish. Offers immediate, fruit-driven appeal, exotic and alluring.

The Wine Spectator

December 15, 2008

89 Ripe and spicy with a smoky edge to the currant and plum flavors, lingering nicely on the open-textured finish. Drink now through 2012.

Allen Meadow's Burghound

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88 A discreetly perfumed nose of red and blue pinot fruit with violet, briar and warm earth undertones that are reflected by the rich, full and serious medium-bodied flavors that culminate in a dusty and firmly structured if slightly edgy finish. This should be able to round out with a year or two in bottle though for now, a bit of youthful asperity dominates the finish. 2011+.

International Review of Wines

April 2009, Report 16

89 The Pinot Noir Premier Cuvee is made from a blend of Archery Summit's four distinct vineyards using 13 percent whole clusters and aged eight months in 65 percent new French oak. The wine is medium dark ruby fading to garnet ruby at the rim. The aromas are sweet and straightforward with just a touch of earth. It's slightly bitter on the attack with a palate of black fruit, earthy dark chocolate and sweet charred oak. It finishes with sweet, integrated flavors.