



2011 LOONEY VINEYARD

Ribbon Ridge Pinot Noir

VINEYARDS

Looney Vineyard is located in one of the Willamette Valley's newest (and smallest) AVAs, the Ribbon Ridge AVA. Planted in 2000 and 2007, Looney Vineyard slopes gently to the south and southeast between 360 and 550 feet in elevation. On sedimentary soils and planted with the greatest degree of clonal diversity of any of our estate vineyards, it produces a unique and expressive addition to our portfolio of Oregon Pinot Noirs.

WINEMAKING

Fruit for the 2011 vintage was hand picked between October 17th and 24th. The fruit was hand sorted and soaked cold for five to ten days, after which native yeast fermentation was allowed to proceed under temperature-controlled conditions in stainless steel open top fermentors. During primary fermentation, tanks were punched down up to two times per day. After limited post-fermentation maceration, the wine was sent via gravity to 35% new French oak barrels and aged for 10 months prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

The 2011 Looney Vineyard opens expansively and expressively with lifted floral aromas of Linden flower and carnation, fresh raspberry, grenadine, cassis bud, citrusy Satsuma mandarin and a hint of Italian plum jam. The palate is voluminous but also airy with a complex of tones from fresh marionberry and cassis to kumquat, marjoram and talc. The finish is poised and sustained with lingering notes of citrus and spice. On the whole, this wine offers succulence and grandeur; it is mouth filling and broad but at the same time open, elegant and full of grace.



VINEYARD SOURCE

100% Looney Vineyard

TIMES VINES TOUCHED PER YEAR 12

FARMING

By hand using sustainable practices

CLONAL COMPOSITION

Pommard, Dijon 115, 777, 667

FERMENTATION

Fermented in stainless steel open top tanks

ÉLEVAGE

Aged 10 months in 35% new French oak barrels from Francois Freres, Chassin, Atelier, and Dany

TOTAL BARREL AGING 10 months

BOTTLING DATE September 2012

CELLARING Five to eight years

SRP \$85

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