

WILLIAMS SELYEM



2014 Precious Mountain Vineyard Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER NOTES

Dark cherry mixes with plum sauce, caraway seed, and grilled herb aromas in this blockbuster offering of Precious Mountain Vineyard Pinot Noir. Dried flowers and a smoky tea-like component add fascinating complexities. The tannins are omnipresent across the palate, but are extremely well-balanced. Beautifully integrated acidity and minerality will allow for a graceful aging curve.

THE VINEYARD

Precious Mountain, located in the Sonoma Coast appellation, sits atop the second mountain ridge in from the Pacific Coast, near Fort Ross. This is a very small vineyard planted on steep slopes at an altitude of 1,750 feet. At this altitude coastal breezes, not fog, are responsible for Precious Mountain's cool evenings and moderate daytime temperatures. The vineyard is dry farmed to produce intense flavors.

HARVEST 2014

After two stellar vintages, 2014 completes the trifecta of high quality growing seasons where the wines exhibit purity of place with generous fruit and elegant textures. The season began as one of the driest winters on record with only 40% of normal rainfall by mid-season. April rains replenished the soil's moisture profile to re-invigorate the plants, boost growth, and help set a bountiful crop. The harvest season was near perfect with warm temperatures allowing for a leisurely picking schedule. 2014 is a superb vintage of compelling nature and will develop well with long range cellaring.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 60% new, 40% 1 yr.

Barrel Aged: 16 months

pH: 3.44

TA: 0.62 g/100mL

Alc: 13.9%

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