

# WILLIAMS SELYEM



## 2006 Westside Road Neighbors Pinot Noir

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Dark and rich in color, this wine offers a bouquet of wild blackberries, cola, plums, fennel, rose petal, butterscotch and toasty oak which immediately fills your senses. Ripe, full-bodied tannins accentuate layers of flavors of blackberry jam, cassis, cherry cola, plums, crème brûlée and black truffles. A wonderfully textured wine with great acid balance that will give this youthful wine life for many years to come.

—Winemaker Bob Cabral

### THE VINEYARDS

The pinot noir for this blend was sourced from the Allen Vineyard, the Bacigalupi Vineyard, the Bucher Vineyard, the Flax Vineyard, and the Rochioli Riverblock Vineyard.

### HARVEST 2006

The 2006 grape growing season was characterized by weather extremes. The unusually cool and wet weather of the early spring caused a late start to the 2006 Harvest. Challenged by the prolonged and excessive July heat spikes followed by more moisture, the vines required attentive care. Cool coastal weather returned in August, mitigating the effect of the hot summer and permitting a long hang time for optimal fruit maturity and a controlled pace for ideal picking. Grape clusters were unusually large, resulting in a generous crop load.

Winemaking for the vintage was focused on meticulous fruit sorting and concentrating flavors, resulting in wines of fullness and length. Our Pinot noirs across growing regions have fruitiness of intensity and purity; our Russian River Zinfandels are ripe and typically powerful; our Russian River Chardonnays are particularly aromatic and finely structured.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 62% new, 38% 1 year old

Barrel Aged: 14 months

pH: 3.51

TA: 0.55g/100ml

Alc: 14.2%

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