

# WILLIAMS SELYEM



## 2011 Bucher Vineyard Pinot Noir

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Newer clones, like Mt. Eden and Swan, are now incorporated into this site blend. The aromas of Bing cherries, forest floor, root beer and smoky tarragon come through on the nose. A mouthful of pie cherries, sassafras, herbal spices and earth are complimented by the richness of broad grape tannins. The toasty oak finish of this wine will age it well for the next 5-7 years.

—*Director of Winemaking Bob Cabral*

### THE VINEYARD

The Bucher Vineyard is located about 1 ½ miles north of our winemaking facility on Westside Road. The clones planted include 777, 115, 37, and Pommard 4, with an Arbuckle gravelly loam soil.

### HARVEST 2011

The 2011 vintage was marked by another cool year that produced wines with tremendous purity and depth. Similar in many ways to 2010, without the extremes, it had very low yields and below average cooler weather. But, the growing season in 2011 was much more consistent with gentle warming days and very cold summer nights. As a consequence, the vintage produced wines with incredible purity, remarkable acid and tannin balance, while expressing the uniqueness of each individual site and region. The signature of this vintage is one where the wines have bright fruit qualities, sound acidities and elegant tannin profiles. It is truly a vintage worth seeking.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 68% new oak, 32% 1 year

Barrel Aged: 16 months

pH: 3.56

TA: 0.61g/100ml

Alc: 13.5%

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