WILLIAMS SELYEM SKA

2011 Coastlands Vineyard Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Aromas of cassis, black currents, sweet herbs and black truffles fill the glass. The concentrated flavors of wild berries, espresso, cardamom and exotic spices develop throughout the palate. Rich, prominent tannins are carried through nicely with a bit of acidity in the finish. Age for 6-7 years for full expression of the site.

—Director of Winemaking Bob Cabral

THE VINEYARD

Coastlands Vineyard is located at an altitude of 1,150 feet, on a mountain ridge above the Pacific Ocean, four miles from Occidental. At this altitude, coastal breezes, not fog, are responsible for Coastland Vineyard's cool evenings and moderate daytime temperatures. The 15-acre vineyard was first planted in 1989, and consists of more than a dozen different clones, including Martini 13 & 15, Pommard and several Dijon Clones.

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. A 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: 67% new oak, 33% 1 year Barrel Aged: 16 months pH: 3.42 TA: 0.64g/100mL Alc: 13.4% Released Fall 2013 \$75



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